

**Chamberlain's
Visit to Hitler
Perils U.S. Peace**
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STATE C.I.O. PARLEY OPENS HERE TODAY; HAYWOOD TO SPEAK

**Leon Jouhaux, French Labor Leader, to Speak
At Public Session at Mecca Temple
Tomorrow Afternoon**

The first state convention of the CIO to set up a permanent industrial union council for New York opens this morning at 10 o'clock in Hotel Center, 108 W. 43rd Street, with more than 1,000 delegates representing between 700,000 and 800,000 workers expected.

The conference will have before it more than 600 resolutions submitted by CIO affiliates, include some proposing a third team for President Roosevelt, endorsing the Wagner Labor Relations Act, and urging unity of action with the American Federation of Labor.

Leon Jouhaux, general secretary of the Confederation of Labor in France and Subbuswami Guruswami, Hindu labor leader from India, will address the delegates at the final open session Saturday at 2 P. M. in Mecca Temple, 133 W. 55th St., when the newly elected officers will be installed.

LEHMAN TO SPEAK

During the day, delegates will hear speeches by Newbold Morris, acting Mayor of New York City; Allan S. Haywood, regional CIO director; Rev. John P. Boland, chairman of the State Labor Relations Board; Governor Herbert H. Lehman; John Brophy, national CIO director, and a representative of the Federal Housing Administration.

Governor Lehman's speech at 3:30 P. M. and acting Mayor Morris' address at 10:15 A. M. today will be heard over Station WNYC.

On Saturday, at 10:30 in the morning, in Hotel Center, Walter Smethurst, executive assistant to John L. Lewis, chairman of the CIO, will open the session.

The delegates will then go to Mecca Temple at 2 P. M., where they will hear Jouhaux and Guruswami.

On Sunday, the delegates have been invited to a free performance of the Grand Illusion, French anti-war film showing at the Filmarie Theatre.

Teamsters on 'Holiday' For Better Hours

**Sanction Withheld By
Union Officials;
2,000 Out**

An unofficial "holiday" of 2,000 over-the-road-teamsters demanding a reduction of working hours from 47 to 40 without pay cuts and vacations with pay yesterday tied up all trucking on the West Side.

The strike was staged in an effort to force the Merchants Truckmen's Bureau and the Highway Transport Association to grant demands presented by the wage scale committees of Locals 807, 816 and 282 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, A. F. of L.

Negotiations between the three locals and the employers' groups have been deadlocked, with bosses refusing to grant any conditions other than those which existed in contracts that expired Sept. 1.

LOCAL MEETS

Local 807 members met to discuss the employers' stand at Manhattan Opera House Wednesday night. The meeting was marked by many disputes, when officials refused to put the issue to a strike vote immediately. Union officials claimed that a closed ballot was necessary and sought to ban unemployed members from voting. The workers at the meeting opposed both points.

The meeting ended in confusion at 2 A. M. with a sudden adjournment after an announcement that yesterday would be a "holiday."

Only 807 over-the-road members participated in the holiday, while city drivers continued to work and members of the two other locals were awaiting official notice for action against the employers.

A committee of 10 from the "holiday" workers were refused a conference with officials of Local 807 last night to present demands for an immediate membership meeting to vote on what action to take against the employers.

12,000 Brave Rain To Hear Browder; Meeting Called Off

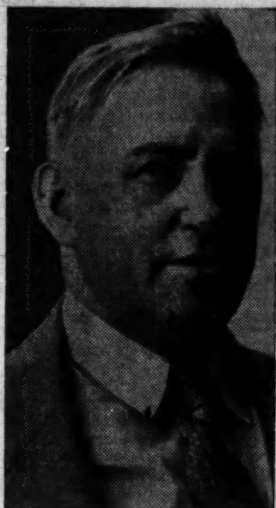
The speech that Earl Browder was unable to deliver last night due to rain appears on Page 6 of this issue.

Twelve thousand people last night braved three heavy showers at the Coney Island Velodrome in a vain hope that the weather would clear up long enough to give Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, an opportunity to deliver his speech.

At 9:30 Browder appeared on the platform while it still rained but appealed that "in the interest of preserving good health go home and read my speech in tomorrow's Daily Worker."

Disciplined and determined to hear the speech, the audience had up to that time stayed, singing "Solidarity" "The International" and other labor songs.

The meeting was opened by Peter V. Cacchione who was chairman, with I. Amter, New York State Organizer of the Communist Party as first speaker.



ALLAN S. HAYWOOD

Ickes Blasts Tory Drive As 'Secession'

**Calls Charges of FDR
'Invasion' Bunk;
Raps Press**

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15.—Secretary of the Interior Harold I. Ickes today delivered a withering blast at the Tory propaganda campaign directed against President Roosevelt's stand in support of liberal candidates.

The outspoken New Dealer charged that the Tory Democrats have been advocating secessionist doctrine in their drive to balk the nomination of liberals.

"I thought we were one union indissolubly bound together," he declared. "It seems that for the purpose of this campaign we have another secession."

Speaking at his press conference this morning with barbed sarcasm, he ridiculed charges of presidential invasion as "piffle" and "bunk."

"I noticed the other day the publication of 48 contributions for Senator Tydings from non-voters of Maryland," he said, referring to the large scale intervention of outside corporate interests.

"The dear Old Baltimore Sun is willing to let money talk," he added with a verbal dart against one of Tydings' mainstays in his campaign.

"I've always felt that a Senator is not a local official," Ickes said. "In the case of Mr. Tydings for example, he's running for the Senate of the United States."

"He legislates for the United States."

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Typos Again Refuse Fund To Fight CIO

**Convention Votes Down
Green War Chest
Plea in Ala.**

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 15.—The 82nd Convention of the International Typographical Union in session here today decided on a roll call vote not to pay the extra penny per capita into the anti-CIO war chest demanded by the Executive Council of the A. F. of L.

The vote on a roll call stood 129 against 121 for Baker's proposal for anti-CIO war chest.

The vote was despite the strong effort of President Claude Baker to obtain reversal of the union's year-old refusal to pay for anti-CIO campaigns. The union had previously voted in referendum not to pay the tax.

The union's factional lines were broken on the issue as Secretary-treasurer Woodruff Randolph, supported by First Vice-President Barrett, opposed Baker and his majority on the finance committee, for a referendum to either approve the assessment or quit the A. F. of L.

William Green warned in a speech before the convention earlier this week that unless the union reverses its stand on the war chest he doubts if its representatives would be seated at the coming A. F. of L. convention in Houston, Tex., Oct. 3.

BAKER ATTACKS CIO

In an hour's speech, Baker attacked the CIO and John L. Lewis. He used attacks contained in a number of resolutions adopted by pro-Martin locals of the United Automobile Workers as in support for his attacks. Lewis' effect to bring peace in the Automobile Union was characterized by Baker as interference with the union's autonomy.

The convention vote on the issue was all the more significant in view of the fact that Baker's Independent Party whose successful candidate he was for president against the late Charles P. Howard, has a majority in the convention.

Several delegates declared in the discussion that they would fight to the last ditch against attempts to use union funds for a fight against other unions.

FDR BACK IN CAPITAL; IS MET BY HULL

**Home from Visit to Son
to Discuss War Peril
With Sec. Hull**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (UP).—President Roosevelt returned to Washington tonight to chart the United States' course in the Czech-Nazi crisis, admittedly the most inflammable international issue that has confronted his administration.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull arranged to meet him at the station and accompany him to the White House, where they were expected to scan confidential cable reports from Joseph P. Kennedy, American Ambassador to Great Britain.

HULL SILENT

Hull, as his press conference today, would give no indication of what the American course might be. His only comment was on the conference in Bavaria between Hitler and Chamberlain.

The United States and all nations "are deeply concerned with the preservation of peace," he said. "The historic conference today between the Prime Minister and the Chancellor of Germany is naturally being observed by all nations interested in peace."

The President's decision to return to Washington, instead of going to the summer White House at Hyde Park, emphasized the urgency of the situation. Before leaving Rochester yesterday he termed events "very serious."

It is believed that Mr. Roosevelt had prior knowledge that the Czech-German crisis was nearing an early showdown. Three weeks ago he announced that he was making no engagements that would take him distant from the capital. He had not counted on the illness of his son, James, in Rochester, however.

Hague Given Dies Support At Hearing

**Banta, Informer, Is
First Witness in
New York**

The Dies Committee investigating "un-American" activities, shifting its hearing to New York yesterday swung its "testimony" to the aid of Boss Frank Hague of New Jersey, who is now awaiting results of a court decision and Department of Justice investigation of his dictatorship.

This came through the person of Edwin P. Banta, a librarian on the WPA Writers Project, whom the Communist Party expelled some time ago as a stooge.

In phrases fitted perfectly to substantiate Hague's claim that he acted to avert a "red uprising," Banta assured the Committee that a man named Irving Nicholson told him last March of being assigned to Jersey City by the Communist Party with the fantastic orders "to bring about a state of revolution by bringing on strikes and dissension."

QUESTIONED ON WPA

Asked by Rep. J. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey if he thought Jersey City disorders due to this Nicholson, Banta obligingly replied, "I do."

Banta was the opening witness called by the Dies committee in its long promised revelations on "Communist domination" of WPA. Every answer to questions of the Dies committee paralleled in every detail to Hague's description of the discovered "Communist revolution."

Banta told the committee that he immediately communicated with Surrogate John P. Gavin of Hudson County, a close friend of Hague, and informed him of the impending "revolution," but was not taken seriously until some time later. A detective was then assigned to trail Nicholson, but his findings on the Nicholson "revolt" were not yet known.

Banta then treated the committee to another "revelation," which paled some of the fantastic tales he heard during his Washington hearings. He said that he knows of people who are taking the "avia-

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NAZI PRESS HEILS CHAMBERLAIN PLOT TO SLICE CZECHOSLOVAKIA; PRAGUE CALLS OUT RESERVES

**Benes Suspends Czech
Parliament in
Note to Hodza**

DEPUTIES MEET

**140,000 Men Are Sent
to Frontier Forts
in New Order**

PRAGUE, Sept. 15 (UP).—President Eduard Benes tonight suspended Parliament, placing all legislative powers directly under his control.

A few hours before Benes' surprise decision to suspend parliament, announced in a letter to Premier Milan Hodza, the government rushed 140,000 new army reservists to frontier fortifications and mobilization centers and extended martial law to half of the Sudeten borderlands facing Nazi Germany.

A total of 16 districts were under military rule tonight.

The situation was made more critical by Nazi leader Konrad Henlein's formal proclamation demanding incorporation of the Sudeten areas in the German Nazi Reich.

TO "TAKE ACTION"

It was announced that the government would "take action" as result of the proclamation, but the nature of the action was not disclosed.

The matter was said to have been turned over to "competent" government authorities.

President Benes' letter to Hodza declared the spring session of both houses of parliament—the current session—closed.

Thus, a permanent committee of 16 deputies and eight senators with almost full legislative powers and in almost daily consultation with the President and Premier, will serve until the Autumn session.

Parliament must be called, however, for any amendments to the constitution or to approve any declaration of war.

Paris Tories Demand End Of Czech Pact

PARIS, Sept. 15.—French reactionary politicians, hailing the flying visit of British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain to Germany, today raised a hue-and-cry for France to renounce her mutual assistance obligations towards Czechoslovakia.

Pierre-Etienne Flandin, who took the lead in advocating a rapprochement with Nazi Germany after a visit to high Nazi leaders at Berlin early this year, put forward the proposal today in Le Journal.

In line with Hitler plans to lead off with a war against Czechoslovakia, Flandin proposed that France take war steps only if her own territory is attacked. This would mean final abandonment of France's system of security alliances in Central and Eastern Europe.

By Art Shields

The Polish people of New York say that if Hitler's invasion of Czechoslovakia is not stopped, Poland will be dismembered later.

The Polish workers in the sugar refinery in Williamsburg, the Polish fishermen in Greenpoint and the Lower East Side hate and fear the common enemy of Europe.

And the great majority of the Polish middle class here opposes Hitler as a national enemy.

"After Austria and Czechoslovakia Germany will try to get Pomerania," warns P. P. Yoles, editor of the Nowy Swiat (Polish Morning World), the only Polish daily newspaper in New York and the largest Polish newspaper in the East.

Picket Nazi Consulate



ANTI-NAZIS PICKET NAZI CONSULATE IN PHILADELPHIA: Members of the Philadelphia anti-fascist organizations and sympathizers as they march in front of the Consulate carrying placards denouncing Hitler and his attempts to foment war by grabbing Czechoslovakia.

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Britain's Treachery To Czechs at Geneva Lashed by Izvestia

**USSR Press' Geneva Correspondent Shows British
Tory Role in League as Linked to Hitler's
War Schemes; Joint Action Still Possible**

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Sept. 15.—"Today there is still time to organize collective rejection" of Nazi Germany's aggressive demands against Czechoslovakia, the Geneva correspondent of the Soviet Government newspaper Izvestia reports in today's issue. "Tomorrow it will be too late."

"Yesterday and today," Izvestia's correspondent writes, "the League of Nations has been replying to the question as to whether it will be able to organize collective security to any extent and to repulse the aggressor."

"The reply is manifestly not encouraging. The Czechoslovakian question does not figure on the agenda of the 19th plenary session and the bureaucratic machinery of the League may therefore in general not take it up and not notice its existence."

LEAGUE'S 'PRACTICAL WORK'

"What significance can the 'practical work' of the League started today in some of its commissions have in the present situation? None whatsoever."

"The main question that naturally perturbs Geneva political circles and which is a matter of lively discussion is the question of the behavior of France and Britain in the event of a

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Nazi Riots Continue in Czechoslovakia

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 15.—Sudeten Nazi rebels continued attacks upon Czech police and gendarmes today, though fewer clashes were reported.

Martial law was extended to Komotau, Wurmstorf, Schluckenau, Reichenberg and Rumburg because of "additional incidents," the Government announced.

Sixteen districts in all are now under control of military forces rushed in to preserve law and order.

The Government listed 20 Czechs, including 12 gendarmes and policemen, and nine others killed. The

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**Tory Premier Leaves
for London from
Munich Today**

TO SEE DALADIER

**Secession Demand Is
Backed By Tory
London Press**

PRAGUE, Friday, Sept. 15 (UP).—Viscount Runciman, British "mediator" in the Czech crisis, announced early today that he is hurrying back to London to confer with Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain.

BERLIN, Sept. 15 (UP).—Advance reports of the Hitler-Chamberlain meeting said today that the Tory Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain, was expected to agree to, if not actually propose, a "plebiscite" in the Sudeten areas of Czechoslovakia under control of police and troops.

Such a plebiscite, Nazis said, would be tantamount to "Anschluss" bringing the Sudetens into the Third Reich.

Chamberlain and Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler held a three-hour conference at Berchtesgaden today, discussing the Czechoslovakian crisis.

As the Prime Minister returned to his hotel, ready to depart for London in the morning to confer with the Cabinet, he told newspaper correspondents:

PRESS HEILS HENLEIN

"I had a very friendly talk with Herr Hitler. I am returning to London in the morning and will meet Herr Hitler again some time later."

The Nazi press tonight gave prominence to Konrad Henlein's demand for transfer of Czechoslovakia's Sudeten border areas to the Reich.

It was evident that the "playing up" of Henlein's proclamation was officially inspired.

In chorus the Berlin newspaper gave two-inch-high headlines to Henlein's statement that "We want to go home to the Reich!" The full text of his proclamation was reprinted.

Newspapers refrained from any editorial comment on Chamberlain's visit, supposedly under government instructions.

There was a general hope, however, when the Berchtesgaden meeting broke up tonight that Britain would compel the Czechs to accept a new formula of settlement satisfactory to Henlein and the Nazis.

'PLEBISCITE' AGAIN STRESSED IN LONDON

LONDON, Sept. 15.—Inspired newspaper reports today revealed that Tory Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain was basing his proposals to Adolf Hitler upon the central pillar of a plan to dismember Czechoslovakia.

A trumped-up "plebiscite" under the shadow of a mobilized Reichswahrswell would be almost 2,000,000 troops, would be the means to hand the strategic Sudeten districts to Nazi Germany.

The "plebiscite" proposal was first given prominence by the pro-Nazi London Times in a leading editorial last week.

With this move was being linked, reports said, plans to set up a four-power bloc, linking Germany, Britain, France and Italy, with its fundamental aims to scuttle collective security and isolate the Soviet Union, the firmest defender of peace.

DALADIER MAY CONFER

According to Chamberlain's conception, the four-power plan would reportedly include compulsion upon Czechoslovakia to abandon her mutual defense treaties with France and the Soviet Union in return for a "pledge" of neutrality from Hitler.

There were reports that Chamberlain may call Premier Edouard Daladier of France to London regarding steps.

Viscount Runciman, British "mediator" in Czechoslovakia who has been hailed as "liberator" by Sudeten Nazis, may be a central figure in the plebiscite move, it was indicated.

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Poland Next Unless United Stand Stops Hitler, Polish Heads Here Warn

"There is time now to unite against Germany," he said in the same editorial.

"That is the lesson of Hitler's speech."

SIGNIFICANT ATTACK

The Polish Morning World reflects the views of Polish middle class immigrants here, of the Polish business men who advertise in its columns and it keeps friendly contacts with Polish Government circles here.

For these reasons yesterday's attack on Hitler is significant. The warning that Poland might fight against Hitler runs through the editorial, which follows in part: "England is learning every day that it cannot neglect the growth of Germany," said Editor Yoles.

"It cannot state that it will not carry on a war in Czechoslovakia's interest. Poland cannot say that it will fight only in defense of its own borders."

"When the world is burning, when the Germans are marching to the East in the steps of the Crusaders and are making Europe's map with fire and sword you cannot shut yourself inside your own borders."

"After Austria and Czechoslovakia, Germany will try to get Pomerania. Then it will be too late. Then even a volcano of patriotism will not stop the course of history. In 1933 Pilsudski urged the stopping of Germany."

"There is time, and only now,

Auto Board Decides Today on CIO Plan

Majority of Board Members Now Support Lewis Proposals for Unity in Union—Murray, Hillman Stay in Detroit

By DeWitt Gilpin
(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Sept. 15.—A meeting of the Executive Board of the United Auto Workers Union to accept a CIO plan to end factionalism in the union is expected to be called tomorrow, members of the UAW ruling body said today.

Immediate action on the CIO's proposal was seen when it was reported by Executive Board members that a majority of the board had requested President Homer Martin to either call the meeting or resign.

Martin has delayed in calling the meeting since losing his majority on the board. As the board lines up now four former Martin supporters, R. J. Thomas, Delmond Garst, Charles Millard and Fred Peiper have swung their support to the CIO plan, thus making a 11 to eight majority favoring it.

Other former Martin supporters are reported to be ready to sign the CIO's agreement with only the UAW president and two other board members still arguing strongly against the proposal.

Meanwhile delegations of unionists who led the "goon" squads in the provocations that followed the ouster of five international officers by Martin were calling upon the board members that swung behind the CIO plan and demanding that they reject it—demands that are yielding no results.

Details of the CIO plan, modified somewhat from the original, were reported in the press today. Major change in the plan is that the reinstatement of the ousted officers is left up to the CIO representatives here, Philip Murray and Sidney Hillman, under the agreement the two CIO vice-presidents will remain the arbitration body of the CIO to solve further differences.

Poland Next Unless Hitler Is Stopped by United Stand

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to unite against Germany. "That is the lesson of Hitler's speech."

"In one sentence he threw us flowers of praise, but in another sentence he stated that all Germans and the territories which belonged to Germany must go back to Germany."

"We shouldn't be blinded by Hitler's praises. We should be more watchful."

New York Poles talk bitterly of Hitler's suppression of the Polish minority within the Reich borders.

"The 100,000 Poles in the Teszyn counties of northern Czechoslovakia are incomparably freer than the million and a half Poles in Nazi Germany," said Henry Hordack, educational director of the large Polish section of the International Workers Order.

"The school figures show the difference between the treatment of the Poles in the two countries," he continued. "In Germany only 6 Polish children out of every 1,000 Polish children are permitted to go to a Polish language school. But in the Republic of Czechoslovakia 960 Polish children out of every 1,000 attend their own language schools."

"And economic conditions are vastly better in Czechoslovakia than in the Polish sections of East Prussia or the Polish colonies in the industrial Ruhr."

POLES WILL FIGHT

"Will the Teszyn Poles fight for Czechoslovakia?" I asked another Polish American—W. Horan, secretary of the Polish IWO section.

"You can be sure that they will defend the Republic against Hitler," he declared with emphasis. The Poles in Czechoslovakia are coal miners and farmers. They know how to fight. The miners have long trade union traditions."

Other Poles told me of the two Communist deputies the Teszyn Polish voters sent to the Parliament in Prague at the last election. Those Communist deputies are still representing the Czechoslovakian Poles back home. And Wolf, the reactionary separatist in Parliament, is in a distinct minority, though some American newspapers overrate his importance.

Briggs Auto Strike Goes Into 3rd Day

Strike Against Speedup, Firing of Shop Steward

(Special to the Daily Worker)
DETROIT, Sept. 15.—The first major strike of this year's auto production season extended to its third day here as leaders of 10,000 Briggs Body workers prepared to resume negotiations with the company tomorrow.

Cause of the strike, according to Emil Mazzy, president of the Briggs Local of the United Auto Workers' Union, is speed-up and the discharge of a chief shop steward in the body assembly department.

Said Mazzy: "Negotiations have been going on between the union and the company since Sept. 1 over a new system of work that speeds up the men beyond human endurance. When the company refused to do anything to remedy this condition the workers were instructed to work at a normal rate of speed. The company then discharged the shop steward and another worker."

The strike began as a sit-down, but the workers evacuated the plant yesterday after the union secured a written guarantee from the company that production would not begin until the strike was settled.

Also effected by the strike was the Plymouth Plant, which secures its bodies from Briggs. The Plymouth Plant closed for a lack of bodies today as U. A. W. leaders there pledged support to the Briggs strikers.

Demands of the strikers are an end to the speed-up in the body assembly department, reinstatement of the two men and payment for lost time. Negotiations will continue tomorrow.

Are we going to let Barton, McNab, and O'Connor do the dirty work for the trusts? Or are we going to elect progressives who will speak and act for the people? It all depends on our election campaign. We need funds for a 20th century campaign!

Bob Eccles

The Manhattan Chorus mourns the loss of their beloved organizer and leader

LAUNDRY TANK BURSTS; GIRLS ESCAPE DEATH

120 Girls Flee in Panic; Three Seriously Burnt By Scalding Spray

One hundred and twenty-five girl workers narrowly escaped a horrifying death at the Commercial Laundry, 609 West 51st Street yesterday, when scalding water from a suspended 1500-gallon tank broke through a stoppage and cast a spray across the laundry's main room.

Three young laundry workers suffered serious burns of the face and neck and were treated in City Hospital, Welfare Island. They were Tullie Lombardo, 21, 216 E. 114th St.; Ada Darrington, 25, of 206 W. 123rd St.; and Rebecca Drayton, 28, of 212 West 111th St. More than 12 others were burned to a lesser degree.

BEDLAM

The laundry became a bedlam as the suffering, terrified girls screamed with pain and fear. The laundry workers tried to reach the opening of the tank in order to shut off the boiling spray, but the pressure and heat of the steam held them back.

The girl laundry workers fought desperately to reach the door and safety as the floor of the main room was flooded with the scalding water.

The tank hung directly over the folding table where the girls work standing eight hours a day for \$15 a week.

The Commercial Laundry, a big outfit which caters to large hotels, restaurants and clubs, recently signed with Local 900, United Laundry Workers CO.

HEARINGS DELAYED

Hearings on certain grievances made by the employers against the laundry company were to have been heard yesterday, but the accident in the plant effected a delay. The union meanwhile began an investigation into the cause of the tank break and the extent of the injuries suffered.

Union leaders yesterday indicated they would study the Commercial Laundry's "Safe Practices" to ascertain if the accident were due to faulty equipment.

Georgia Tory Gets Majority In Primary

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 15 (UP).—Sen. Walter F. George, one of the targets in President Roosevelt's drive against reactionaries in the Democratic camp, was virtually assured renomination today by a clear majority.

George, needing a majority of 206 county unit votes to gain renomination—the same as election—without a second primary, passed the 194 mark and was leading in counties which would give him a total of upward of 230 units.

Lawrence S. Camp, whom President Roosevelt endorsed when he asked for George's defeat, had conceded defeat. Eugene Talmadge, former governor and rabid anti-New Dealer, held 104 unit votes but had scant chance of entering a run-off as George neared a majority.

Counties where tabulating was complete showed George leading in 88, Talmadge in 46 and Camp in 8. Camp received only 30 unit votes. The popular vote, with only 140 of the state's 1,735 precincts unreported, gave:

George — 124,763
Talmadge — 90,340
Camp — 67,562

Nazi Target of London 'Pubs' War Slogan

LONDON, Sept. 15 (UP).—In some London "pubs" a slogan of the World War was revived today in this toast: "May the German Eagle spread its wings, wings and split its bloody tail-piece."

Notes of a Red Army Commander at Lake Khasan

Not an Inch of Soviet Territory Is Surrendered to Invader in East, Last Japanese Driven Across Border; Brilliant Fighting by Red Army

How Zaozernaya Hill, on the Soviet frontier near Manchuria, was recaptured from the Japanese invaders in the eight-day border battle of late July-early April, was described yesterday by Capt. Stezhenko of the Red Army in his eyewitness account of the fighting. Today's is the concluding installment.

By Capt. Stezhenko

Part III

(Special to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW.—The Japanese had managed to basically fortify themselves on the height. They left behind full depth trenches and refuges for the infantry, which were completely destroyed by our air force and artillery. Wire entanglements in front of the Japanese positions were erected in three-four separate rows, in front of which anti-tank pits had been dug.

The Japanese did not want to reconcile themselves to the loss of the height. Like mad beasts, with shouts of "banzai!" they

clambered up the rocks of the hill. Our fighters allowed them to approach at close quarters and then hurled hand-grenades at them. This is how the repeated counter-attacks of the Japanese were beaten back. The majority of them were killed on the spot, and those who survived slid down to the bottom.

In the days which followed, the main battles were fought on the Besymannaya hill, where the Japanese still held part of our territory. Endeavoring to force out the Japanese, our units voluntarily drove a wedge about 300-400 yards on Japanese territory on the other side of the border.

VOLUNTEERS DARING

The Japanese artillery continued its firing, endeavoring to damage our guns. But the Japanese fire suffered from one "defect": the shells flew wide of their aim. Our artillery confidently fulfilled its tasks, destroying the enemy guns. On August 8 one of the Japanese batteries

Lewis at Mexican Congress



John L. Lewis, CIO chairman, received tumultuous applause at International Congress Against War and Fascism in Mexico City, when he urged unity of world labor to halt reactionary attacks on democracy, trade unions. Photo shows Lewis speaking to 50,000 people in a bull ring in Mexican capital.

Britain's Treachery To Czechs at Geneva Lashed by Izvestia

USSR Press' German Correspondent Shows British Tory Role in League as Linked to Hitler's War Schemes; Joint Action Still Possible

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Hitler-Henlein attack on Czechoslovakia.

"Despite the clear statement of the Czechoslovakian Government to the effect that the latest plan of concessions proposed by it is final, despite the official Czechoslovakian note to London that the Czechoslovakian Government finds it impossible to carry out a plebiscite, a section of the British-French press openly affirms that a plebiscite is the only measure capable of averting war."

"The arguments of this section of French and British public opinion regarding the necessity of a plebiscite is dictated by fear of the aggressor, by fear of putting up the least resistance and the hopes that the appetite of the aggressor will be satisfied with the seizure of the Sudeten areas."

ATMOSPHERE MORE TENSE
"The atmosphere is becoming more tense every hour. The waves of the approaching catastrophe are beginning to break more menacingly than ever about Geneva."

"It must be emphasized again and again that the passivity of the League is not an independent political factor, but a reflection of the policy of the leading powers, namely, Britain and France."

"Now more than ever before it can be said that 'passivity' will continue, then there would no longer be any question of the final collapse of the League of Nations or of the League finding itself completely incapable of becoming a center of collective security."

"And after Czechoslovakia's turn, it would be Poland's. The 'wise' policy of Colonel Beck (Polish Foreign Minister), who has scrupulously carried out Berlin's

directives, will not save his country from operations on the Czechoslovakian model."

"Germany's hegemony in Europe would soon become an accomplished fact."

NAZI DE-EMPHASIS

"Occupied with European problems, Germany purposely did not lay main emphasis on the colonial question lately."

"By occupying a pre-eminent position in Europe, Germany with a reinforced energy and with an advantageous lineup of forces, would present its colonial claims to Britain."

"Will the understanding of this prospect force France and Britain to do today that which will already be too late tomorrow?"

Fay Speaks at Rally Against Milk Price Rise

A mass meeting protesting recent rises in the cost of milk will be held tonight at the Madison Square Church House, 432 Third Ave., under the sponsorship of the neighborhood Committee against the High Cost of Milk.

James H. Fay, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the 16th Congressional District will be represented at the meeting which will also hear Dr. Caroline Whitney, secretary of the Milk Consumers Protective League; Meyer Parodnick, president of the Consumers Milk Cooperative; Dr. Chas. A. Marlies, member of the Executive Committee of Consumers League.

JAPAN SHIFTS ITS OFFENSIVE ON HANKOW

Chinese Reinforcements Speeded to Lines in Northwest

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
HANKOW, Sept. 15.—The brunt of the Japanese offensive on Hankow shifted north of the Yangtze River today, Chinese military experts said, bringing in a new threat to the Wuhan three-cities area.

Large Chinese reinforcements were speeding into the front lines and reserve positions in the border area between Anhwei and Honan provinces, northeast of Hankow along the Luchow-Sinyang highway.

The offensive by the Japanese troops in this sector had lapsed recently in favor of an effort to break through Chinese defenses on the other bank of the Yangtze River, in the Juluchang sector.

Though Japanese made important gains in the Juluchang sector, northwest of the ruined city, Chinese officers said that Hankow had much more to fear from the northern thrust.

HEAVY JAPANESE CASUALTIES
The rupture of Chinese lines northwest of Juluchang followed 20 days of continuous battles during which the Japanese added poison gas to their heavy arsenal of land and naval artillery.

Chinese reserves poured into the breach and halted the Japanese push, however, preventing any immediate danger of a general advance.

Meanwhile, Chinese coastal batteries along the Yangtze River continued to batter the Japanese naval forces aiding the Japanese land offensive up the Yangtze towards Hankow.

Fifteen Japanese warships were seriously damaged by Chinese gunfire on Sunday, it was reported. Chinese foresaw a serious lack of manpower among the Japanese troops attacking Hankow if the present rate of losses continue.

During the past 10 days, Japanese suffered 60,000 casualties—or three full-size infantry divisions—in the Yangtze valley fighting. Eight thousand troops were killed and 24,000 wounded on the front below the Yangtze River, while 4,500 were killed and 15,000 wounded north of the stream.

FEVERS RAGING
Disease was also ravaging the Japanese troops in the fever-ridden swamplands, sending more than 6,000 Japanese soldiers back to Japan with cholera and other epidemic diseases.

To the north, in upper Honan province north of the Yellow River, Eighth Army units under General Lin Pao, Communist military leader, defeated a large force of Manchukuo troops on Sept. 10, the Eighth Army headquarters in Hankow reported.

More than 500 rifles, 80 pistols, four machine guns and an anti-aircraft piece were captured.

Weinstone to Speak on War Crisis in Phila.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15.—"What can peace loving progressive Americans do to avert another world war?" will be answered by William Weinstone, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, when he speaks Friday at 8 P.M. at Mercantile Hall, here, at a huge rally to protest Hitler's provocation in Czechoslovakia and threat to plunge the entire world into another world war.

The mass meeting will also hear from Molassay Olgin, editor of the Freiheit and noted interpreter of foreign affairs.

'Friends' Cable Funds to Bring Wounded Vets Home

Send \$2,000 to Paris Office to Aid Wounded Spain Vets; McKelvey White Appeals for More Funds from Spain Friends Here

In response to an urgent appeal received from the Paris office of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and the International Aid Committee, the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade immediately cabled \$2,000 to their Paris office.

The text of the cable follows: "500 Wounded just arrived in Paris from Spain among whom are Americans and Canadians. Financial burden too great for our committee handling it. Need further assistance immediately."

"This amount is not sufficient to care for these men," declared Mr. David McKelvey White, National Chairman of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. "By sending this money," Mr. White stated, "our organization has accepted the responsibility for these men. We appeal to all liberal and progressive Americans to help us respond to this emergency situation. We must raise more money immediately and need your help."

"These men have been torn by gunfire and high explosives," he continued. "They must have immediate operations, hospitalization and medical attention. They have fought with magnificent courage on the battle fronts of Spain in the interest of world democracy. We cannot let them down. They must be brought home at once."

"Every dollar will help. Mail your contribution, large or small, immediately, to the office of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, 125 W. 45th St., N. Y. C."

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 15.—A deep line of pickets yesterday before the Nazi consulate, 1420 Walnut St., here drew the attention of this city's citizens to the wide sympathy that exists for the Czechoslovakian people.

The picket line, established by the American League for Peace and Democracy, was punctuated with signs which demanded that Nazis take their "Hands Off Czechoslovakia," and that democracy lovers "Save Czech babies from Nazi Bombs."

The American League and its affiliated organizations represent 50,000 people in the city of Philadelphia.

Nazi Consul Arno P. Mowitz refused to see the delegation sent by the American League, letting the outer office explain that he "was not in."

The delegation, headed by Miss Edna Richter, city secretary of the American League, left a letter of protest at the consulate which declared:

"We will do all in our power to throw the weight of United States prestige on the side of Czechoslovakia and we have urged the State Department to base its policy on economic noncooperation with fascist aggressor nations," she said.

The Nazi representative, when finally reached, was dumb on the question of both the letter and the picket line.

Nazi Riots Continue in Czechoslovakia

(Continued from Page 1)

toll of badly wounded was close to 100. Heavily-armed gendarmes patrolled the almost deserted streets of Eger, in the southwest corner of Czechoslovakia tonight, while shock troops were ready for call.

Police said Sudeten Nazis planned to make Eger the headquarters of their rebel movement. "War" communiques were being issued from here by the Sudeten Nazi Party.

Yesterday's bloody Nazi outbreak was carefully planned, police said. When police and gendarmes routed Nazis from the Victoria and Weisel hotels at 9:30 P.M. Wednesday, they found tunnels one and a quarter miles long between the Grand hotel, the Victoria hotel and other points in the town.

Police say they also found a secret radio sending set. A secret munitions depot was found in the Sudeten Nazi party headquarters, taken by police, including German revolvers and automatic pistols.

At Schwaderbach, to the north, the Nazi attackers in yesterday's clash were revealed to have moved in from across the German border. Regular German Nazi Storm Troopers crossed the frontier to bring supplies to the entrenched Sudeten Nazis.

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World's Fair to Present Giant Drama Spectacles

Theatrical Showings on a Large Scale to Be Features

[This is the second of two articles on the World's Fair of 1939.]

By Harry Raymond

The World's Fair of 1939 will be a Mecca for the theatre-goer and entertainment seeker.

Monster stage spectacles, featuring artists from all the world, will be produced five times a day in the great New York State Marine Amphitheatre at the north end of Meadow Lake of the Fair grounds in Flushing.

The semi-circular stadium, which will be a permanent addition to a future City Park, will seat 16,000 and will cost \$1,700,000.

There is no theatre in the world like it, for the stage will be set in the lake itself and will be entirely surrounded by water.

The customary curtain between acts will be eliminated in this "Theatre of Tomorrow." Instead of a curtain, a screen of water will be shot up between acts to conceal the stage.

EDUCATIONAL SHOWS

Drama and comedy, according to the World's Fair theatrical schedule, will have a prominent place among the scientific and cultural displays at the exposition.

The complete drama program has not yet been announced. But it has been suggested by persons interested in the Fair and the stage that the outstanding cultural achievements of the Federal Theatre, under WPA direction, the "Living Newspaper," Negro Theatre and other features, should find a place at the exposition.

There will be one great project alone devoted entirely to Shakespeare. An open-air plaza at one end of Meadow Lake will be used for historical pageants of all nations and folk festivals.

And spreading in a broad arc beyond the amphitheatre and along the shore of the lake will be the lighter side of the Fair, a 280-acre Amusement Zone where gaily and novelty will be the rule.

But the amusements, like other features of the Fair, will have an educational value. And they will be international in character, for many of them were developed in other countries and will be seen for the first time next Spring in America.

For instance, the 250-foot parachute tower being erected near the northern end of the Amusement Zone was first developed in the Soviet Union and put into operation in the Moscow Park of Culture and Rest.

PAGEANT ON CUBA

Eleven gaily decorated parachutes will be operated from the top of this tower. Persons who never had the experience of "bailing out" of a plane will be able to get it at the Fair without the usual hazards. The parachutes will be controlled and prevented from swaying by metal guide wires and a metal ring will keep the chute open. Shock absorbers will eliminate some of the impact of landing.

There will be special foreign villages, such as the French, the Cuban and a generous bit of Holland, even to a fishing boat and a "population" of Netherlands in Dutch costumes and wooden shoes.

The Cuban village will occupy three acres of ground. It will in-



Airport Building at World's Fair 1939

clude a sugar mill, a cigar factory and a reproduction of Morro Castle. And anchored off Meadow Lake shore will be a copy of the Santa Maria, from which a pageant of the landing of Columbus will be staged.

HISTORICAL PLAY

For the kids there will be a "Children's World" in the Amusement Zone. Trained supervisors will direct play, repose or meals of children left there by parents. There will be amusing and instructive games and for the parents lectures by accredited pediatricists, experienced in child diet, discipline and education.

At the extreme southern end of the Amusement Zone there will be staged a great open-air spectacle, a feature of which will be leading events of American history.

There will be a South Sea Village, in a tropical setting, where the visitor can see inhabitants of the far-off islands at work, hear their music and study their culture.

An Old English project will boast Shakespearean drama in the Globe Theatre, dancing on the green and music hall entertainment in Vauxhall Gardens.

The most beautiful of American Indian music, arts and crafts will be the feature of another spectacle.

ART SHOWS

Novelties and walk-throughs scheduled for the amusement center include: "Science vs. Crime," demonstrating the latest methods of combating crime; a "Little Miracle Town," city of midges; "Living Magazine Covers," presented by a famous artist specializing on feminine beauty; a "Surrealist House," a portrayal of the creation of the world; and the "Dog House," featuring trick and prize animals.

Of course there will be flying trapeze, Serpentine, Turtle Chase, Humpty Dumpty, Adventure and other rides.

Dr. Martin Couney will display his "Infant Incubator," with at

least 50 incubator babies from metropolitan hospitals.

There will be a "Live Monster" exhibition, with 160 species of reptiles, including ten giant pythons from the East Indies. Tony Sarg will operate an "Enchanted Forest" and will demonstrate how to make marionettes, toys and balloons.

FOOD EXHIBITS

Near the center of the Amusement Zone will be "Winter Wonderland," an Alpine village. It is stipulated in the contract that the producers will create a snow storm at least once each evening. In addition to the daily blizzard, created by artificial means, there will be a toboggan slide, a ski jump, a skating rink, a sliding dance floor and a 1,000-seat restaurant and a village square.

And when the visitor to the Fair feels hungry he can lunch in the Amusement Zone or go to the foreign pavilions, which will contain restaurants. He can have breakfast in France, luncheon in Czechoslovakia, tea in England, dinner in Soviet Russia and late supper in the Dutch East Indies. The pleasure will find many other opportunities for variation in the national and geographical menu.

The national exhibits of the 63 foreign countries will undoubtedly be an outstanding feature of the Fair. Cultural progress will be the core of every national exhibit.

"It is noteworthy," the World's Fair management announced, "that nations and their governments turned voluntarily to this method of giving a correct impression of their national life, not in the spirit of rivalry or boastfulness but to demonstrate clearly that each has developed toward a better international goal."

Of course, Nazi Germany will be absent from the World's Fair of 1939. And it is well and proper, for Hitler has no place there, except as proposed some time ago by Mayor LaGuardia—in the "Chamber of Horrors."

Strikers Begin Work as TWOC Wins Demands

PATERSON, Sept. 15.—Over half of the 2,500 striking plain goods silk workers in 100 shops of the Silk Commission Manufacturers Association began to return to work today following ratification of an agreement granting the demands asked by the union.

Approximately 1,000 workers, chiefly of the Silk and Rayon Manufacturers Association which includes over 20 of the large shops, were still on strike. Negotiations between this group and Local 75 of the Textile Workers Organizing Committee were still deadlocked.

The new contract provided \$1.15 per 100,000 picks, a guarantee of \$14 weekly on four looms and \$18 weekly on six looms; closed shop, 40 hour, five day week, and weekly minimums of \$25 for loomfixers; \$13 for auxiliary help, with a one dollar increase in six weeks.

The last offer made by the group of manufacturers still shut down is \$1.12 per 100,000 picks, which the strikers turned down.

Eckles Funeral At All Nations Church Sat.

The body of Robert Eckles, well known Negro Communist leader in the cultural field who died suddenly last Tuesday, will lie in state between 10 and 11 o'clock this morning at C. E. Funeral Parlor, at 106 West 129th St. Arrangements have been made for services at 1 P. M. tomorrow at the Church of All Nations, at 9 Second Ave.

He was a member of the C. P. for seven years, and an active comrade in the North End Branch of the Eighth Assembly District. A former member of the famed Hall Johnson Choir, he brought his music talent into the Manhattan Chorus, and was chairman of the latter group.

PENN. LABOR, FARMERS UNITE TO BEAT G.O.P.

Brownsville Parley Spurs Campaign for Election

BROWNVILLE, Sept. 15.—Workers and farmers in this area have been greatly spurred to a renewed interest in the election campaign following the Labor-Democratic Conference of 700 delegates from A. F. of L., CIO, Railroad Brotherhoods and other organizations of this vicinity here Sept. 3.

Many who neglected to register to vote in the primaries when Lieutenant Governor Thomas Kennedy, labor's candidate for governor was named out of nomination, are today registering in order to assure defeat of the Republicans in the finals.

Hundreds of visitors were present at Elks Hall Sept. 3 in addition to the delegates when outstanding labor leaders voiced the appeal for a "crusade" against the forces of big business to safeguard the gains that progressives have already been able to score in this state.

FARMERS ATTEND

In addition to the delegates from the unions there was a small group of farmers and representatives of a large number of fraternal organizations and Clubs of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

The meeting was the largest yet held in this district and opened the election drive in Fayette, Greene and Washington counties. A highlight at the meeting was the speech of a delegate of a nearby Clyde mine, who declared that he had earlier determined that if Kennedy was defeated in the primaries he would refrain from participating in the finals, but "this meeting changed my mind and I am also out to beat the Republican Party."

Despite the variety of organizations represented, the sentiment was unanimous to defeat the ticket headed by Republican candidate for Governor James.

PLEDGE FIGHT ON GOP

One of the resolutions adopted at the meeting resolved that to go "on record as pledging to help defeat the Republican Party and guarantee a victory of the Democratic forces in our state and in this way also in the nation" and that "we go back to our respective organizations and see that the members and their families are registered, that they vote and work for the candidates of the Democratic Party."

Among the speakers who addressed the meeting were Norbert Fitzgerald, legislative representative of the Railroad Brotherhoods; William L. Robinson, Pittsburgh leader of the streetcarmen's union of the A. F. of L.; Joseph Barr, state president of the Young Democrats; Paul Jones, Allegheny County head of the Negro Democratic Comm.; William Hill, secretary of the Urban League; and Jacob Echar, Fayette County chairman of the Democratic Party.

UAW in Hudson Auto Firm Wins NLRB Decision

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15 (UP).—A National Labor Relations Board decision today gave the CIO's United Automobile Union exclusive bargaining rights for all hourly-paid production and maintenance employees of the Hudson Motor Car Company in Detroit.

The ruling climaxed a dispute over sole bargaining privileges, which last year led to a sit-down strike of more than a month's duration.

Certification of the U.A.W. was based on comparison of signatures on petitions against the company payroll of April 9, 1938, when Hudson had 6,314 employees, excluding hourly-paid foremen and assistant foremen. The Board said that 4,215 employees or approximately 70 per cent of those affected had signed petitions designating the CIO union as their bargaining agency.

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TODAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF

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NORWALK, Conn., Sept. 15 (UP).—An explosion and fire destroyed a Boston-New York Blueway bus here today, causing injury to two of its 17 passengers.

The bus, operated by Herman Massey, Boston, was being refueled at a filling station when gasoline got into the oil line and caused an explosion. Flames shot through the machine and passengers were forced through windows and an emergency door.

Max Huller, Bronx, N. Y., suffered cuts on his hands, and Mrs. Rose Sloan, Detroit, a knee injury, when she was pulled through a window by the driver.

TO RESTORE WAGE CUT IN MASS. PLANT MON.

ANDOVER, Mass., Sept. 15 (UP).—Treasurer W. E. Brimer of the Tyer Rubber Company announced today that a 7 1/2 per cent wage reduction of 700 employees last May would be restored Monday. He said the company now was working on a full time five-day week basis.

Court Rules Against Foe of Marcantonio

Supreme Court Justice Samuel H. Hofstadter yesterday ruled against Rep. James J. Lanetta, Tammany candidate in the 20th Congressional District, who had charged that the Democratic Party nominating Democratic petitions of Vito Marcantonio, Labor candidate, were not in legal order.

This was the third bout on the petition issue won by Mr. Marcantonio.

He won one decision at a hearing before the Board of Elections and another in Supreme Court.

Marcantonio's name will appear on the ballot in the Labor Party, Republican Party and Democratic Party primaries in the 20th District next Tuesday.

Jewelry Strike In Third Week

The general strike against 40 employers of 800 workers in the jewelry industry entered its third week yesterday with the White Metal Casters Association still refusing to sign a collective agreement with Local 65, International Jewelry Workers Union, AFL.

ITU Parley Hears Guild Unity Plea

Jonathan Eddy Calls for Cooperation in Solving Problems in Newspaper Industry; Lauds Achievements of Typo Union at Alabama Parley

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 15.—Jonathan Eddy, executive vice-president of the American Newspaper Guild, appealed for continued stronger cooperation between the unions of editorial and composing room workers in an address before the 82nd Annual Convention of the International Typographical Union in session here.

Eddy, who spoke on the day following William Green's address before the convention, was invited to speak before the A. F. of L. affiliate.

"This is the sixth year of the existence of the American Newspaper Guild," Eddy said, "and I have the added honor this year of representing, in addition to approximately 12,000 workers in the newspaper editorial departments of this country, Canada and Hawaii, some 5,000 workers in the business, advertising and allied commercial departments."

LOOK TO I. T. U.

"All of us in the Guild look to our older and bigger brother, the International Typographical Union, with tremendous admiration and respect. For we know, not only that your great and distinguished organization played the leading role in the very foundation of the American labor movement, but that, were it not for the historical accomplishments of your union, the objective conditions in the industry would not have been such as to permit organization of the Newspaper Guild."

Eddy pointed to the Guild's 104 signed newspaper contracts, and considerable gain for the editorial workers, but stressed that his union, as the I. T. U., is facing encroachment of employers, speed-up and resultant dismissals.

"We are fighting these economies which place the burden on the backs of the wage earners, just as you do," Eddy said. "And we are conscious of your problems in facing steady mechanization with its constant increase in unskilled jobs, decrease of skilled jobs and speed-up. In the face of this, some of our locals have signed contracts which freeze the size of a given staff to protect against economy layoffs."

EXPLAINS RADIO FACTS

Regarding the earlier charge of William Green that C. I. O. unions "raid" the I. T. U., Eddy explained on the number of radio contracts that the Guild signed. He said the Guild first appealed to the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to take in those workers who were employees of publishers, but that the A. F. of L.

union refused. The American Communication Workers of the C. I. O. refused because its main attention was upon the telegraph companies.

Eddy said that similar situations developed in other spheres involving the jurisdiction of the Typographical Union, but such misunderstanding arose chiefly because "we do not have a systematic machinery whereby the I. T. U. and the Guild can sit down and find out what each other is thinking, which makes it possible in these times of woeful confusion for interests outside the newspaper industry to make a football out of us."

Eddy referred to several minor instances in which certain workers in composing rooms whom the I. T. U. did not take in were taken into the Guild.

"Gentlemen," Eddy concluded, "the American Newspaper Guild is not raiding your organization. We have no desire to raid your organization. We can find all the headaches we want right in our own city rooms and business offices. If it will profit anyone to incite the A. N. G. against the I. T. U. or the I. T. U. against the A. N. G., we can say one thing with absolute certainty: that whoever may profit by such a policy it will be neither the I. T. U. nor the Guild."

"The Typographical Union and now the Guild are both well accustomed to sitting down about a table and resolving differences. I say if there be differences between the Typographical Union and the Guild, we will accord each other not only the courtesies we do our employers, but a little friendly respect and brotherly understanding of each other's problems, such as is not always in evidence when it is an employer who sits opposite."

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When school opened last Monday, the transfer order was put into effect. The 50 families have ignored the transfer, taking their children to P. S. 41 every morning, where they have been refused admittance.



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Communist and Priest--- A Discussion on Browder Message to Catholics

Forbes, Executive Secretary of New York County, C. P., Replies to Clergyman's Letter Commenting on Pamphlet

Earl Browder's "Message to Catholics," a section of his report to the Tenth National Convention of the Communist Party, has unleashed an ever increasing stream of discussion from coast to coast.

There is not a single Catholic journal of opinion which has not commented upon the pamphlet in some manner. In New York the first of the comments was an attack from Rev. Edward Lodge Curran which was printed in the New York Times.

Henry Forbes, Executive Secretary of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party sent a copy of the pamphlet to the Catholic priesthood in New York. Father Curran not included. In a letter to the Times following Curran's attack Forbes explained that the Communist Party did not consider Father Curran as "representative of the best Catholic thought."

He brought attention to the fact that Father Curran has not answered Browder's challenge to him on previous falsehoods concerning the Communist Party and its press which had been made by the priest.

Among a great number of letters received was one from a priest in the New York diocese which was answered at great length by Forbes. Parts of the clergyman's letter and Forbes' reply to it are reprinted here.

PRIEST'S LETTER

The priest, whose name is omitted for obvious reasons, states that he would like to have the complete context of statements by Catholic leaders, lay and clerical, referred to in the introduction to the Browder pamphlet.

"Mr. Browder states on page 8, 'Questions of religious belief have nothing to do with the problem,' and again 'True, also, that most Communists profess no religion at all, and subscribe to a philosophy which finds no room for the supernatural element in solving social and economic problems, although, in this matter there is no dogmatic obligation in Party membership and we have a growing number who retain their church affiliations.' Even a very cursory knowledge of the Encyclical Letter of Pope Pius XI, on Atheistic Communism, ought to prove beyond the shadow of a doubt to Communists that the Catholic Church bases the remedy for conditions as we find them today on a Religious Principle. For example we read on page 17 'As in all the stormy periods of the history of the Church, the fundamental remedy lies in a sincere renewal of private and public life according to the principles of the Gospel by those who belong to the Fold of Christ, that they may be the true salt of the earth to preserve human society from total corruption.' How can we reconcile those words of the Pope with the admission that 'most Communists profess no religion at all,' and then expect us as Catholics to join forces with them. We would be acting in direct opposition to our Conscience and to the Faith we profess. The Pope very aptly answers the invitation which Mr. Browder so magnanimously extends us by saying on page 24 of his Encyclical Letter 'Communism is intrinsically wrong, and no one who would save Christian civilization may collaborate with it in any undertaking whatsoever. Those who permit themselves to be deceived into lending their aid towards the triumph of Communism in their own country, will be the first victims of their error. And the greater the antiquity and grandeur of the Christian civilization in the regions where Communism successfully penetrates, so much more devastating will be the hatred displayed by the Godless.'"

"That, Mr. Forbes, I think is as authentic an answer that you could want, coming from the Supreme Head of the Catholic Church and therefore anything we may say contrary to this, certainly cannot be an utterance coming from a Loyal Devoted, and sincere member of the Church."

In conclusion, he states: "I think I can say with Mr. Browder what he says at the close of his message, changing only a few words: 'Every word that I address to Communists applies more or less to the other parties in America. We speak these words with deadly seriousness, with a full sense of our responsibilities in the hour of deepest crisis the world has ever passed through.' But, Mr. Forbes, we cannot extend the 'hand of brotherly cooperation' to those who will not have Christ, for he said: 'He who is not with Me, is against Me, and he who gathereth not with Me, scattereth.'"

FORBES' REPLY

A well-documented answer was prepared by Forbes, in which he says: "Your letter, while differing from us, yet permits of further discussion and I am sure, mutual enlightenment. I am certain that I would not be reading your thought aright if I inferred that you meant the Catholic Church had closed its doors to such discussion with all peoples, be they of the Faithful or otherwise."

"Where the question of our cooperation as a Catholic priest with the Communist Party (or any other political party) is concerned, may I make clear our understanding in this matter? We understand that in America, no Catholic priest as a Catholic priest engages in any political activity, though what he may do as a private citizen is of course, his own affair. I think that Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris, in the interview with him, published in the 'New World' (Chicago) July 23, stated the position of the Church in France, another democracy in which the Church does not operate as a political unit, when he said: 'If we refuse the Communist Party our collaboration in the political domain' (as of course he must, though the

For Peace and Democracy



Catholic and Communist in Europe are united in the struggle to preserve democracy from the invasion of the fascist hordes and to keep war out of the world. Photo shows La Pasionaria, beloved Spanish woman Communist leader and Abbe Adrienne, Catholic priest, and supporters of the Popular Front in France. Photo was taken during sessions of International Peace Conference in Paris during July of this year.

Communist Party obviously does not expect political collaboration from the Church in a democracy. Therein lies the 'France of the People's Front,' plainly says: 'Our goal is not a mysterious, unachievable collusion with the leaders of the Church. Our aim is the unity of the masses of the people for their well-being, for liberty and peace.' That does not mean that we avoid such collaboration in all relations; for example, a suburban pastor does not refrain from aiding his Communist mayor in caring for the unfortunate and aiding the unemployed of the Community.' Will you not, then, examine our program with that just appraisal which you have accorded my letter and tell me wherein it differs, though couched in terms of modern needs and modern society, from your Seven Corporal Works of Mercy? And if you find that essentially there is little difference, will you not support the Communists in your locality in their struggle for the immediate needs of the people there?"

Referring to an article by Fr. Gerald Donnell which appeared in the Catholic magazine "America," Forbes stresses the fact that as Browder stated, fascism threatens everything progressive in American life and that religion is no less menaced here than elsewhere. Forbes quotes Jean Cardinal Verdier, Archbishop of Paris who said:

"Relations between the Church and State are better than they have been in 30 years," and contrasts this statement with the assaults which have been made on the church in Germany and Italy. In response to the priest's request Forbes presents the sources of Catholic statements which were printed in the introduction to the "Message to Catholics."

"And now," Forbes writes, "we come, I think, to the crux of the discussion, the Encyclical letter of Pope Pius XI on 'Atheistic Communism.' Perhaps a quotation will most aptly sum up the gist of the document: 'Communism is intrinsically wrong and no one who would save Christian civilization may collaborate with it in any undertaking whatsoever.' This seems most unequivocal. But if so, what of the Cure in a Parisian suburb who collaborates with the Communists in 'aiding the unfortunate of the community?' Shall we regard him as a bad Catholic? And how shall we reconcile that quotation having to do with the 'hatred displayed by the Godless' with the position of the Church in France today as stated by the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris? The Right Reverend Monsignor, Yu Pin, Roman Catholic Bishop of Nanking, speaking presumably for the anti-Fascist Catholics of China, in a recent issue of 'Temps Present,' well known French weekly, had this to say: 'China is defending herself against the injustice committed against her by that unjust aggressor Japan. We accept the help of Russia as we would accept any aid, no matter what, TO DEFEND JUSTICE. NEITHER, ON THE OTHER HAND, WOULD WE ADMIT ANY SUPPORT OR ALLIANCE ANYWHERE FROM ANY POWER WHATSOEVER, TO DO EVIL, TO COMMIT AN INJUSTICE.' It is possible, Father, to conclude that some more flexible interpretation of the Papal pronouncement is in order."

"When His Holiness," the letter continues, "calls upon the Faithful to 'be true salt of the earth' through a 'renewal' of the principles of the Gospel," we answer that we Communists have the greatest respect for Catholic morality, and have much in common with it, as Mr. Browder points out when he says, 'True Catholics as a whole, turn to the doctrines and dogmas of their Church for formulation and justification of ethical and moral standards, while Communists base their

Ford to Broadcast Address on Harlem Elections on Friday

James W. Ford, Communist Candidate for U. S. Senator, chairman of the Harlem Division of the Communist Party and member of the Party's National Committee who was the first Negro to run for Vice-President since Frederick Douglass, will deliver a 15 minute address over Station WMCA, tonight (Fri., Sept. 16) from 5:15 to 5:30 o'clock on the subject, "The 1938 elections in Harlem—the Battle for Democracy."

Speaking under the auspices of the Harlem Division of the Communist Party, Ford will explain the concrete issues facing the people of Harlem both in the primaries and the November elections.

olice), to their ecclesiastical authorities, published in France under the title, 'Le Clerge Basque.' Therein you will read a thoroughly documented account of, among other things, the fate that befell members of your order and hundreds of other priests and religious, who differed with Franco's fascists, in the political domain. You will also get an inkling of the conditions, which new obtain in the Catholic Basque country, under the oppression of that 'Defender of the Faith.'

COMMON GROUND

"There is a common ground for both of us to start from," Forbes letter concludes, "as has been recognized and acted upon in France, in the underground anti-fascist movement in Germany and Austria, in Czechoslovakia, in Belgium, and on the battlefields of Spain and China. That meeting place is the defense of democracy."

"It, therefore, follows that every truly enlightened and sincere Catholic has a duty as a conscientious citizen of a democracy to hold opinions widely at variance with the authorities you have quoted. I repeat to you, sincerely, and to all Catholics of good will, the words of Thoreau: 'Believe in God; that is your right. But instead of discussing the existence of Paradise in Heaven, let us get together and fight against Hell on earth. The life and liberty of millions of men depend on our unity.'"

"I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy of 'The Democratic Front,' the complete text of Mr. Browder's report of which the 'Message to Catholics' was one division, with the hope that you will grant this larger work, the careful attention which you gave the smaller. As the Angelus Doctor so well says: 'Never mind from whose lips a lesson falls, but commit to memory whatever good may be proposed.'"

Fled Austria



Walter Herbert, who was conductor for the Vienna State Opera for seven years and left Austria when the Nazis invaded it, applies for his first citizenship papers in San Francisco.

\$700,000 Won By CIO For Fish Canneries

Portland, Seattle Locals Achieve Award for 3,650

WASHINGTON, D. C. Sept. 15.—A wage award of \$700,000 was won for workers in the salmon cannery industry by Local No. 7 (Seattle) and Local No. 226 (Portland) of the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America. The decisions of the Fact Finding Board set up for the industry apply to 62 canneries.

President Henderson said, "This award is another big victory in our campaign to organize all fish cannery and processing workers and sea food workers in one great industrial union. During the past six months contracts have been signed with fish cannery and sea food companies on the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts. To date UCAFAWA has contracts covering about 15,000 workers in the industry."

Locals No. 7 and No. 226 put up a determined fight against a 20 percent wage cut demanded by the industry during contract negotiations for 1938 with 31 companies. To settle matters a provisional wage scale was set and a Fact Finding Board appointed to render a final decision.

The decision means an average increase of about \$190 for some 3,650 cannery workers, cooks, kitchen helpers and foremen that shipped out of Seattle and Portland for the Alaskan salmon cannery season.

Spur 'Daily' Drive for War Scoops

Phila., Boston, Baltimore, Pittsburgh Behind in Daily Worker Drive; Exclusive War News Costs Dime a Word; Urge Full Speed Activity

Philadelphia snores while the Daily Worker drive is on. Boston has been napping for a month. Pittsburgh, Washington and Baltimore pass the time in daydreams. Rip Van Winkle was a piker. He thought the world was mighty different when he woke up after a twenty-year snooze. But these American cities which are sleeping during the Daily Worker's drive for \$110,000 will wake up to find that a hundred years of history have taken place in these days of world crisis.

Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Baltimore! Four great American cities which don't seem to realize the importance of the Daily Worker today. This European crisis is going to be distorted in almost every newspaper. Tories will try to break down the tremendous sympathy that all real Americans have for the democratic people of Czechoslovakia. They are going to do this with political frauds and lies.

And what are these cities going to do about the one paper that will bring the real news? Sleep some more—or wake up and do everything in their power to raise money so that the Daily Worker can bring the truth about the European crisis to thousands of Americans?

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Harlem's two weakest fundraising sections came through at the election rally in Odd Fellows Hall addressed by Earl Browder. Each section gave substantial contributions totalling \$1,500. This money was raised among the people of Harlem. Here's the score:

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2,000 Voters Hear Browder and Ford On Harlem Election

Browder Questions Lanzetta on Support of New Deal—Marcantonio, ALP Nominee, Good Choice

More than 2,000 Harlem voters who heard Earl Browder speak Wednesday night at the Manhattan Odd Fellows Temple were weighing the Communist leader's keen analysis of the election campaign issues of the 20th Congressional District.

"All the old guides, the old signposts, landmarks and lanterns that the American people learned to depend upon for their political direction," Browder said, "are no more."

He pointed out that everybody knew that there were "reactionary anti-New Deal Republicans and progressive pro-New Deal Republicans."

"The same thing about Democrats," Browder declared. "There are New Deal Democrats and there are anti-New Deal Democrats. And the label doesn't mean anything until you know whether he is for the New Deal or against the New Deal."

QUESTIONS TO LANZETTA

He characterized the American Labor Party as "99.44 per cent pro-New Deal," but warned that everybody who got their names on the A.L.P. primary ballot are not New Dealers.

Urging the voters to be skeptical of political promises and to look underneath party labels, Browder pointed to the case of Rep. James J. Lanzetta, Tammany nominee for Congress in the 20th district, who is also running in the Labor Party primaries against Vito Marcantonio, regular A.L.P. designee.

Reading from a Lanzetta campaign throw-away, the Communist spokesman showed how Mr. Lanzetta had declared he was a "100 per cent supporter of President Roosevelt and the New Deal."

"Let's begin to ask him some questions," Browder continued. "Congressman Lanzetta, if you are a 100 per cent supporter of President Roosevelt and the New Deal, where do you stand on the re-election or defeat of Congressman O'Connor? Congressman O'Connor—the leading Democrat in Congress from New York City. The product of Tammany, chairman of the House Rules Committee. A member of the powerful Ways and Means Committee and the man whom President Roosevelt has denounced as one of the main saboteurs and obstructionists of the New Deal. Congressman Lanzetta is in favor of the re-election of O'Connor. But he asks for your vote in the American Labor Party primary as a 100 per cent supporter of President Roosevelt and the New Deal. You see, it is very important not to trust anybody's word."

AGREE WITH A.L.P. PLATFORM
Browder then proceeded to analyze assertions of Lanzetta and Samuel Kupferman, Tory Republican opponent of Marcantonio, charging that the A.L.P. candidate is a "Communist." He said:

"Now, of course, candidate Marcantonio is not a Communist. He is the selected candidate of the American Labor Party, a selection in which the Communists did not even have a choice. The American Labor Party does not permit us to take part in selecting candidates. We support the American Labor Party ticket, but we have to take it the way it is handed to us."

"But we agree with platform and strategy and tactics of the American Labor Party. Although



JAMES W. FORD

we do not always agree with their selection of candidates, we must say that in the 20th Congressional District they did a good job when they picked Vito Marcantonio. Marcantonio doesn't have to worry very much about being called a Communist, however. You know, some of the 'best society' in America is called Communist."

TORIES BECLOUD ISAACS
Browder estimated that 75 per cent of the American people are New Dealers. He said the reactionaries know this and they want to becloud the issue by insisting that the people vote on Communism.

"We are not going to oblige them," he declared. "Communism is not the issue in the United States. The majority of the people do not agree with us. But we agree with the majority of the people."

James W. Ford, chairman of the Harlem Division of the Communist Party, preceded Browder on the platform and stated clearly the position of the Communist Party in Harlem. He said:

THE PRINCIPAL ISSUE
"The principal issue in the general elections in November, and therefore the principal issue in the Sept. 20 primaries, is the selection of candidates who support President Roosevelt's New Deal and Recovery Program. Those candidates who oppose President Roosevelt and the New Deal, and therefore the living interests of the great bulk of the people for jobs, security, democracy and peace, such candidates must be defeated at all costs. These are the tasks which face the masses of Harlem."

In the overlapping districts, the 20th Congressional District, and the 17th Assembly District, we find concrete examples of candidates and issues of which I have spoken. We believe that Messrs. Vito Marcantonio and Oscar Garcia-Rivera, candidates in these two districts, are progressives, and we call for

voters to support them (as well as the other designers of the American Labor Party). They have fought for the issues of the masses. The reactionaries in the Republican Party have put obstacles in their paths. Naturally, Tammany does not like these men either. Mr. Marcantonio has had the bitterest opposition from reactionaries in the Republican Party, and he is opposed by a candidate of the reactionaries, Kupferman, who is acceptable to the reactionary Republicans because of his unsavory record.

"In the case of the Honorable Oscar Garcia-Rivera, the reactionaries try to kill two birds with one stone. Instead of renominating Mr. Rivera, their choice for last year, they nominated in opposition a young Negro attorney, Johnny Ross, who does not even live in the territory. This single shot is fired against two targets: (1) First, to defeat Mr. Rivera and facilitate the election of the reactionary Tammanyite, Alterman. (2) Second, to deceive the Negro people by designating a Negro candidate where he has no chance of election. Such deceit is the stock-in-trade of the reactionary Republicans."

Ickes Blasts Tory Drive As 'Secession'

Calls Charges of FDR 'Invasion' Bunk; Raps Press

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States. He is paid out of the Treasury of the United States. I think it is the nearest piffle to raise any issue of outside interference when the question involved is that of a public officer of the United States."

The Secretary of the Interior cited half a dozen examples to show that the invasion issue "is all bunk."

"Suppose President Roosevelt had declared for Senator Tydings's renomination," he said. "Would there have been any fuss raised about that?"

Commenting on the open use of Federal patronage in the campaign of Tydings and other reactionaries, he declared:

"But that was all right. That was highly moral."

"Up in New York City there is a contest in a certain Congressional district," he said with obvious reference to the contest between Rep. John J. O'Connor, reactionary chairman of the Rules Committee, and J. H. Fay, New Deal contender.

"I notice an impassioned outburst from little Theodore Roosevelt. Every two or four years he lets people know he isn't as dead as he appears to be."

TORY INTERFERENCE
Discussing the activities by the "little" Roosevelt, Rep. Hamilton Fish, and other Republicans on behalf of O'Connor, he said that these could easily be called "outside interference."

Getting back to the Maryland situation, he referred to the fact that the newspapers in the District of Columbia campaigned vigorously for Tydings.

"I don't see why they let these Washington papers interfere in Maryland politics," he said.

"I think it's a damned outrage. I believe in consistency."

"I see they're booming him for the Presidency. I have a better candidate than that if they're looking for a real anti-New Dealer—Talmadge."

RAIL UNION CHIEF RAPS C. OF C. PARLEY

Harrison Says Chamber Would Emascuate Labor Act

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15.

A conference on transportation being held here under the auspices of the United States Chamber of Commerce was assailed by President George Harrison of the Railway Labor Executives' Association as an attempt to knife the demands of the railroad workers.

Harrison declared that this "so-called conference was called for the purpose of propaganda. That it was convened during the negotiations over the carriers' 15 per cent wage reduction is both significant and suspicious."

He charged that the real purpose of this big business conference is to "emasculate the Railway Labor Act, which has kept peace in the industry."

Harrison warned that "railroad labor will vigorously resist every effort to destroy this enlightened legislation."

"Practically every proposal made by the conference had previously been submitted to the Standard Railroad Labor Organizations and flatly rejected by their spokesmen," he said.

POSITION UNCHANGED

"Our position remains unchanged. We regard the suggested changes as indefensible and know from experience that they would increase the railroads' problems."

"These proposals have been made in not surprising, in view of the fact that nobody was represented at the conference except the financial interests which have brought the carriers to their present sorry plight."

"It will be well for the public to carefully consider the effect of the demand that the carriers be given a free hand in rate-making and in effecting consolidations."

"The merger scheme, of course, threatens the jobs of tens of thousands of railroad workers. But equally important, it strikes at the prosperity of scores of communities which would be deprived of railroad service if management is permitted to work its will without restraint."

Hague Given Dies Support

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tion course at the Workers School in preparation to fly Loyalist Spain airplanes. At the Workers School, where there is no such course, Banta's story became the favorite joke last night.

"All those speeches in Jersey City," Banta told the committee, were brought about by Communists.

Banta even charged that the Communists were responsible for the attempted speech of Norman Thomas.

Banta was soon steered by questioning to devote most of the attacks upon the Workers Alliance and its organization on the project. Following the frequently rehearsed anti-New Deal story, he sweepingly named almost all supervisors on the writers project as "communists" and left an impression that hardly any but Communists were working on the project.

Announcing Banta's expulsion in the Daily Worker of Sept. 2, the Communist Party stated that he



GEORGE M. HARRISON

Alliance Rally Sat. to Demand Clothing Grant

School Children Needs Is Slogan of 902 B'way Meeting

With clothing for schoolchildren as its central demand, the Workers Alliance called people on relief rolls to a demonstration in front of the central office of the Department of Public Welfare at 902 Broadway, 11 A. M. Saturday.

The demonstration will also protest against the policy of the Welfare Board of immediately cutting off the rolls families whose heads are transferred to WPA jobs. This leaves them without any means of support for as long as two weeks until the first pay checks are received.

The clothing issue has become very acute although sewing projects preparing all sorts of wearing apparel for children were reported extended. Nearly 500,000 children are estimated on relief in the city of New York.

CITE RECOMMENDATIONS

In a leaflet calling the unemployed to the demonstration, the Alliance recalled the reports of several investigating commissions, including one appointed by the governor and one by Mayor LaGuardia, both of which recommended improvements in the standards. Yet the leaflet declared: "A child receiving 17 cents a day for food; a family receives 15 cents a month for clothing; household expenses are handed out to the tune of five cents a week; rent budgets are fire-trap budgets; the doctor and the dentist may be called only in the most serious emergencies, often too late."

The appeal further charged that applicants for relief must wait four to five weeks before they are placed on the rolls and that large numbers of children are absent from school for lack of shoes.

"The city administration has made many improvements over the last few years in relief policy," the appeal continued.

"The Workers Alliance and the city of New York welcome the progressive policies that took relief out of the hands of corrupt Tammany Hall."

"Yet, the policies of relief today are not consistent with the program promised the people. These policies are a challenge to our city. The Workers Alliance urges that rulings of red tape and hunger be rescinded."

ies in the employ of fascist groups and a stoolpigeon. He was also found to be the source for so-called "inside information" on Communist activities on the workers project which appeared in reactionary newspaper stories.

How O'Connor Killed Progressive Bills—Defeat Vital to Labor

Tory Democrat Was Leading Saboteur in Congress of Progressive Measures; His Defeat by Fay Would Deal Heavy Blow to Reactionaries

By Adam Lapin

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15. — The leader of the most powerful Tory hatchet gang in Congress faces the acid test at the polls next week. His name, of course, is John O'Connor, and he is the chairman of the House Rules Committee.

If O'Connor is defeated, the chances of getting progressive legislation passed at the next session will be considerably improved. The ability of the Tories to sabotage New Deal measures will be hit at a vital spot.

This is the national significance of the Democratic primary contest in New York between O'Connor and New Dealer J. H. Fay.

Much more than the consistently reactionary vote of an obnoxious congressman is at stake. What is actually involved is whether O'Connor can continue to ride roughshod over progressive bills, regardless of their popular support, as the leader of the dominant Tory group in the Rules Committee.

Ham Fish, Bruce Barton and other Republican big wigs fully understand this. That is why they are so anxious for O'Connor to return to Congress—and to keep his chairmanship of the Rules Committee.

Make no mistake about the extent of the vast autocratic power which the Rules Committee has usurped.

USURPATION OF POWER

After a House committee passes favorably on a bill, it is then sent to the Rules Committee which has the function of deciding the order in which measures are to reach the House floor. The Rules Committee has the power to rush through important bills, and to lay comparatively unimportant ones aside for the time being.

The purpose of this procedure is presumably to keep the legislative channels from being clogged up by the vast number of bills introduced at every session of Congress.

But the Rules Committee has arrogated to itself a different and a far greater power. It now passes on the specific provisions of a bill. It decides whether or not it will permit Congress to vote on any measure no matter how important.

A Tory group of eight members on the 14-man Rules Committee can thus blackball the entire Congress of the United States. And this was actually done during the 75th Congress on two measures vitally important to labor—the wage and hour bill and the Walsh-Healey Bill.

Take the case of the Walsh-Healey bill which would force firms with government contracts to abide by the Wagner Act. This bill was unanimously passed by the Senate at the last session. It was reported favorably by the House Judiciary Committee. It appeared to have excellent chances of passing the House. Behind it were several important government departments, the CIO, Labor's Non-Partisan League, and the A. F. of L., which gave somewhat wavering support.

DEPRIVED OF VOTE RIGHT

But the Rules Committee said no. And in the closing days of the session, the members of the House were denied the right to vote on

the Walsh-Healey Bill.

The case of the wage and hour bill is equally instructive. Here the Rules Committee was unable to block final passage, but nobody can say it didn't try its best.

In midsummer of 1937, a bill was reported out by the House Labor Committee. In August, it was passed by the Senate.

Again the Rules Committee said no, and the measure—vital to millions of wage earners in all sections of the country—remained bottled up.

Finally, the bill was dynamited out of the committee during the special session last December by a petition signed by 218 members of the House. But a line-up of Tory Democrats and Republicans succeeded in sending the bill back to the Labor Committee.

The Labor Committee drew up a new bill which this time had the united support of both the CIO and the A. F. of L. But once again the Rules Committee refused to give the measure the right of way, and it took a second petition to get it on the floor.

On May 24, the Rules Committee received a resounding rebuke when the House passed the wage and hour bill by the crushing majority of 316 to 97.

STAB-IN-BACK ARTIST

Now here is an interesting thing. O'Connor did not dare openly to oppose the wage and hour bill. On the contrary, he admitted frankly that he was a great friend of labor and was for the measure. He said that he just couldn't get it out of committee.

This incident is significant because it reveals O'Connor at his best as a great knife-in-the-back artist, and President Roosevelt was undoubtedly referring to O'Connor's record on the wage and hour bill when he dubbed him one of the most skillful obstructionists in Congress.

Here is the give away. O'Connor claimed to be for the New Deal measure. But he opposed the petition discharging the Rules Committee when it was circulated during the special session.

When the bill was sent back to committee, he issued a statement declaring that this proved petitions were a poor way of enacting legislation. Just leave everything to the Rules Committee, O'Connor asked.

And when the bill was forced out of the committee a second time, O'Connor again declined against the method of the petition—the only method of getting the bill out on the floor.

It need hardly be added that never at any time when the wage and hour measure was pigeonholed by the Rules Committee did O'Connor lift a finger to have it sent to the floor.

O'Connor proclaimed his advocacy of the bill—then he knifed it in committee, and fought the only other method of getting it

HOUSING FOR 9,000 MORE IN NEW PROJECT

Mayor Informed of Great Saving in Rheinstein Note

Housing of an additional 9,000 persons in the Queensbridge low rent housing project was predicted yesterday by Alfred Rheinstein, chairman of the New York City Housing Authority and a Commissioner of Housing and Buildings.

Rheinstein, in a telegram to Mayor LaGuardia, announced that the government's Red Hook project will be \$4,600,000 lower than the \$16,592,766 provided for in the budget allowed by the United States Housing Authority.

He said that if the Queensbridge plan proves as economical, 9,000 additional persons can be housed with the funds made available by the saving in costs. The plan originally called for accommodations for 22,000 persons.

BIG SAVING SEEN

The telegram to the Mayor was based upon an analysis of figures submitted by contractors on bids for building the Red Hook development, which were opened Tuesday.

The estimated cost per room at Red Hook, Commissioner Rheinstein said, will be \$850 per room, which is \$400 less than the \$1,250 limitation provided for in the Wagner-Stegall Housing Law.

He predicted that this saving will permit slum clearance which was considered not feasible before because of the high cost of land.

Are we going to let Barton, McNaboe, and O'Connor do the dirty work for the trusts? Or are we going to elect progressives who will speak and act for the people? It all depends on our election campaign. We need funds for a 20th century campaign!

passed which was by petition. That is typical.

OTHER EXAMPLES

These are no isolated examples. He stalled on the basarantonio silicosis investigation in 1936 and tried to kill the Utility Holding Company Bill in 1935.

His tie-up with the latter affair was rather intimate. His brother, Basil O'Connor, is a big utility lawyer who was lobbying against the holding company measure. John did his best to oblige.

Basil is also the lawyer for the Radio Corporation of America, and that throws some light on one of John's most interesting activities.

At the last session, and several times before, John J. loudly demanded an investigation of the radio companies. Later on he quieted down and nothing happens. There has of course been no investigation.

But isn't there an increase in lawyer's fees when Congressional investigations are in the offing? Eight men—five Democrats and three Republicans—on the Rules Committee consistently blocked the passage of the wage and hour bill. One of these, Rep. W. J. Driver, D. of Arkansas, has already been licked in the primaries.

If O'Connor is defeated, his position should pass to the next ranking Democratic member, who is Adolph J. Sabath of Illinois, an aggressive New Dealer.

Beating O'Connor at the polls will eliminate one of the most dangerous reactionaries in Congress. It will also strike a blow at the undemocratic Tory dictatorship of the Rules Committee.

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

The family of Walter Judson Quayle, steel magnate, is ganging up on him, trying to prevent his selling the Valleyville Steel interests to a competitor for a paltry 15 million dollars cash. Quayle, who broke a strike of his employees recently, listened to his "industrial counselor" Matthew Joyce, who advised him to sell while he could. Joyce is secretly acting in the interest of Ben Preston, leader of LITTLE STEEL bosses, who promised him a cut if he could arrange the deal.

Quayle's daughter Alice, long accustomed to running her father and his dough, is in state of high hysterics over the proposed sale and has summoned other members of the family for a council of war.

Excluded from the family council however is Jenny Quayle Chew, youngest daughter and a "traitor" to the family because she sided with the strikers in their fight for union rights and recognition in her father's steel mill. Jenny and her husband are now organizing textile workers into the CIO in Georgia.

Silas Watts, vice-president of the steel mill, is arguing with Quayle against selling out.

"But at such a price, Walter! If you had told me you were thinking of selling, I could have got up a syndicate—I can do it now, and guarantee I can get you at least seventy-five a share."

"Perhaps I should have let you try, Silas. But I gave my word and the bargain is closed."

"Walter Quayle," said the vice-president and treasurer to his president, "I think you're crazy." After he had argued for a couple of hours more and been able to get no other reply, he repeated the verdict, and summoned his two attendants and had himself helped out to his car.

That left it strictly a family matter, and they could be perfectly frank with one another. Alice tried hysterics, and the others tried pathos and affection; they tried dignity, everything they could think

of the sort of women who wear the same costume to two parties or more. Imagine her trying to entertain the Marchioness de Vogue, who owned a thousand chain stores, and would expect you to spend a couple of hundred dollars on flowers for her reception! "Father," said Curt, with a genuine anguish in his voice, "do you realize there was one year when we got nearly thirty dollars a share from the stock? And now you propose to sell it outright for fifty-four dollars—and that will be the end!"

"The world has changed since then, my son."

"It hasn't changed for any of our friends," put in Eunice.

"Except the Russian ones and the Spanish," added her husband.

"You can entertain the Russians and the Spanish," said the father—she was getting a little irritated after several hours of argument. "Or else you can get your father to assume the burden, Eunice. I am tired of trying to maintain my social position in the eyes of people I don't know."

Paula was weeping again. At intervals of every hour or so Paula would have a spell of quiet and refined weeping. "Don't let me disturb anybody," it seemed to say; "it's just the way I feel." Paula was the youngest of Walter's first brood, and the smallest. She had a serious square face, and nothing at all of what is called "figure." For this reason she wore tailor-made clothes, a jacket like a man's, with pockets, flat shoes, and a hat with one feather like a German Jaeger's.



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She lived alone except for a woman secretary. She considered that her tastes were simple, but that didn't mean that they were cheap. Far from it.

To Paula this ecstacy meant parting with all her prestige. She was a patroness of arts; this signifying that she paid impecunious geniuses to praise and entertain her. Nothing of the sort was spoken, of course; it was a lady's and gentleman's agreement, that in return for generous gifts of money Paula was to have long-haired and tempestuous musician to play in her drawing room; that in return for being the artist and his friends and admirers flocking to her tea parties. Paula had figured in her mind the cost of upkeep of her establishment, and had the sickening realization that on an income of five or six thousand dollars a month, few persons would come near her, and those entirely undistinguished. Plainly, yet with dignity, Paula strove to make her father realize what a blow at culture his proposed action would

be.

The one who dominated most of the conversation was Alice. She couldn't sit still for more than a few minutes at a time; she would be up and pacing the room like a tigress in a cage. To the oldest daughter it wasn't a question of any art flummery, nor yet of fashionableness; it was a question of the solid, material rock upon which the fortunes of the Quayle family had been built. It was those smoking mills down there in the valley, and their ability to turn out hard and heavy products. The Quayles were steel people; Alice had been taught that she was a steel man's daughter, the great-granddaughter of an ironmaster, one of America's old pioneers. She had been conscientiously training her one son for the role; and suddenly the boy was to have the base of his life pulled out from underneath, and be toppled down like a statue with broken feet!

It was not at her father that she was raving; it was at that unctuous creature, Matthew Joyce, and that creeping, slimy snake, his wife. It

was they who had writhed into the high safe nest of the Quayle family and were sucking the nutriment out of the eggs. Fifty-four dollars a share! Alice's voice would rise to a scream every time she said it. It was unthinkable, it was a nightmare, it just couldn't be permitted to happen!

"I tell you I have given my word Alice," repeated the father. And after he had said it a couple of hours more, his neck was hurting him severely, and he had to tell them that his car had been run into, and that he was not able to sit up and urge any more; so good night.

Alice and the others continued their discussion. Henry, the cousin, tried to calm Alice, but she turned on him wildly. "It's easy for you—you don't have to lose everything you value in life! When her meek husband, who had said very little all evening, began to yawn, she assailed him for his impotence—as if he could have done anything to influence his father-in-law! When her brother told her that she really ought to go to bed, she answered: "Do you realize that he has that stock with him?"

Yes, Alice had called one of the bank officials and ascertained that her father had been to his safe-deposit box that morning and taken some papers. "And do you realize that he has the power to sell it any moment that he pleases? Do you realize that he may get up and sneak out in the middle of the night?"

"What do you propose to do about that?" demanded Curt. "Watch him?"

"That's exactly what I mean to do. If you won't help me, I'll do it alone. He'll not get out of this house except over my dead body!"

No use trying to argue with the mistress of the Mansion House! In the end they all went to bed and left her. She tried her father's door softly, and made sure that it was locked; then she got a down quilt, which was warm, and wrapped herself in it, and sat with her back to the door. She didn't care if he found her there, not in the least; she had nothing to hide; it was war. Now and then she would nod; but most of the time she sat planning, biting her lips or clenching her hands with the intensity of her thoughts. When she became chilled she would get up and pace the hall for a while.

So the servants found her, and she made no explanation, just a curt good morning; she went on pacing. Her father's man brought him coffee and the Sunday newspapers; after the man left, Alice went in, and spoiled the old man's breakfast and his reading. She went at him again, hammer and tongs. When she could not move him, she gave him what she meant to be a knockout. "If you sell that stock for fifty-four dollars a share, I shall kill myself!" He answered quietly that that was her affair; he could not change the fact that the deal was made.

She could not believe that it was the same father she had been able

to manage for so many years—ever since she had made him a grandfather, thus acquiring status as the mistress of the future, the ancestress of the Quayle posterity. Something had happened to him, and with all her cunning she could not find out what it was. What did he mean to do with his money, that he was so determined to have it all in the bank at once? He would not answer her questions about it, and she could only assume that it must be that imbecile Valleyville Plan which he meant to endow.

She went to Curt and his wife, having breakfast in their twin beds. "This is the day," she said. "He means to leave for New York, and we have to stop him."

"How can we, Alice

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Chamberlain's Visit to Hitler Threatens Peace of U.S.A.

The American people, gravely concerned for the peace of the U. S. because of Hitler's terrible war moves, should beware now of Chamberlain's maneuvers with the chief Nazi war monger.

They must ask themselves: What will this mean to the security of this country?

Can Chamberlain, by sacrificing Czechoslovak democracy, the rampart of peace in Central Europe, by this crime bring the world closer to peace?

All history, all the experiences of the fascist war attacks, cry out against this.

The effect of Chamberlain's attempted sacrifice of Czechoslovakia can only stimulate Hitler's appetite for more and increase the danger of war. This inevitably increases the danger that the U. S. will become involved in such a war.

The American people are learning that if Hitler begins his war against Czechoslovakia the peace of the world—including that of the U. S.—will be forfeited.

And if Chamberlain tries through his crooked diplomacy to give the Nazi warmongers what they are seeking to obtain through bullying war threats can the danger of war be thereby averted?

A thousand times, no.

The Nazi warmongers can only be encouraged by such a step.

It is wisely said, the appetite grows with eating.

Whether Chamberlain feeds Hitler with concessions or Hitler helps himself at Czechoslovakia's expense the Nazi war monster will not be satisfied. The war danger will flare up greater. The peril to world democracy will be more enormous.

It was so when Hitler got the Saar.

It was so when Hitler grabbed the Free City of Danzig.

It was soon after Hitler, with British Tory assistance, seized Austria, that he began his present war moves against Czechoslovakia.

They are false, misleading and dangerous prophets who say that "Chamberlain is drawing us back from the brink of disaster" by his fawning trip to Hitler.

In fact, the British Tory Premier may be giving the world its last show over the brink.

By cringingly promising Hitler so much, by offering concessions at Czechoslovakia's expense, by inflating Hitler's ego, by egging the war-instigator on, the danger to world peace grows instead of lessens.

The American people should not permit such things to take place.

They must not for a second allow Chamberlain to hope for "approval" for his dirty dealings with this country.

To stay out of war the U. S. must do everything possible, in collaboration with the peaceful democracies, to halt Hitler, and to halt those who are offering Hitler war-breeding concessions.

The great prestige of the United States, its weight with the nations of the world, forcefully expressed on the side of peace, can have the most powerful influence today.

No aid and comfort to the Chamberlain lackeys of the Nazi warmongers.

The U. S. should speak up against Hitler's threats to Czechoslovakia.

This country should invoke the Kellogg Peace Pact. The U. S. government should immediately enforce an economic embargo on the war-mongering powers. Nazi Germany should be barred from obtaining war supplies in the U. S.

It should do everything that will block Hitler, help to keep world peace, and in that way, keep America out of war.

Cracking a Stronghold Of Reaction

Once more the Tories will dust off their trumpets to blare forth over Sen. George's defeat of the New Dealer Lawrence Camp in Georgia.

And once more they will be trying to drown out the full progressive significance of a primary fight.

The nomination (equivalent to election) of Sen. George in no way detracts from President Roosevelt's progressive fight to realign the forces of progress throughout the country against the reactionaries. It in no way harms the fight to separate the chaff from the wheat—in order that the people may know who are their defenders and who are their enemies. The primary battle in Georgia actually strengthened that fight.

In one of the strongest citadels of the reactionary Democrats, the people rose to challenge the power of one of the bedrocks of that citadel, Sen. George. The forces of progress and democracy did not win this, their maiden battle. And there are reasons for it.

Sen. George, during his long term in the Senate, has built up a formidable and corrupt political machine, while Atty. Camp had an inexperienced, inadequate organization.

George is a notorious rubber-stamp of the Georgia Railway and Power Company, a utilities monopoly controlled by Wall Street. The Power Trust all over the country chipped in with gold to keep their faithful stooge in Washington. The Georgia Power Company forced its employees throughout the state to work for George.

Also working in George's favor, and in favor of every Tory Democrat in the South, is the vicious system of disfranchisement of the great majority of the people. Millions of white workers and sharecroppers cannot vote because of the reactionary poll tax. The entire Negro people are disfranchised in brazen nullification of the 15th Amendment. There is no secret ballot in Georgia and even as late as 1936 only 19

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

No amount of news distortion or confusion about the outcome should be permitted to conceal the fact that Premier Neville Chamberlain's unprecedented, Nazi-inflating flight to Berchtesgaden, where he virtually cringed before Hitler, was not an emergency plan.

It was an extension of his ancient practice of love-letter writing to the fascist dictators, and the idea was long in the back of his head, but the occasion to carry it out did not arise until recently.

Furthermore, that was a stroke of French diplomatic tact when Premier Edouard Daladier claimed to have originated the scheme when the world knows it was planted and hatched in Chamberlain's fertile brain by the pro-Nazi London Cliveden set.

It was Daladier's method of ingratiating himself with the British Tories, to draw the French cabinet closer by shielding Chamberlain from the odium of bowing and scraping before Hitler on his own initiative and with the approval of the British cabinet. Unfortunately, Major Clement Attlee, Labor Party leader, made no protest; and Leon Blum, French Socialist leader, who easily fell for the British Tory scandalous "non-intervention" policy with regard to Spain, had some pretty words to say about Chamberlain's fawning on Hitler.



No good to world peace or benefit to the democracies of the world can come out of that Chamberlain-Hitler meeting in the Berchtesgaden dictators' den.

Moreover, Chamberlain knows it. Chamberlain is not courting Hitler to swerve him from his course but to convince him, rather, of the value of the maximum concessions worked that Hitler is not fully apprized of the full extent to which Tory appeasement is inclined to go to satisfy Nazi bloated ambition without the necessity of at this moment resorting to world war.

The news and editorializing in Berlin, on the event, as well as in many of the reactionary newspapers in the democratic capitalist countries, are nauseating. In the very midst of their war preparations, the Nazis "puff with pride" because Chamberlain comes scurrying to Hitler.

Chamberlain stooped to help Hitler conquer. Now the Nazis believe they can utilize the psychological and political effect of the Tory Premier's submissive voyage to Hitler's haunt for all it is worth, besides cashing in on the actual concessions that Chamberlain brought with him.

For whatever "appeasements" Chamberlain hands to Hitler—and they will be greater at Berchtesgaden than they even could be in London—they assume the aspect of tribute from a tributary handed to a conqueror.

Those American newspapers which so readily accorded the treacherous Chamberlain their "best wishes" and all "god speed" in a piece of dirty business that will prove costly in lives to all humanity will in a not distant future have to swallow their words of praise to this gift-bearing messenger to Hitler.

Mr. Chamberlain, adding his presence to the procession that has gone to Berchtesgaden since Hitler enslaved Germany, will not change the devilish course of events being plotted in Hitler's war headquarters.

Before the Tory Premier came ex-Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg of Austria, now in a concentration camp. That visit gave Hitler the signal for the seizure of Austria.

Hitler's Sudeten stooge in Czechoslovakia, Konrad Henlein, recently was there to get his instructions about starting civil war in the Sudeten areas. It was these initial civil battles that brought Mr. Chamberlain to Berchtesgaden.

Mussolini has made the trip, too. The same Mussolini for whom Chamberlain has a strong affection.

What is to come of Chamberlain's kow-towing to Hitler?

Chamberlain's policy of "appeasement" and his long-standing desire to help Hitler and Mussolini will guide.

Chamberlain's major objective is to put through his four-power pact proposal, in the center of which would be the Rome-Berlin axis.

Down payment for the pact would be turning the Sudeten region over to Hitler.

Chamberlain has no intention of leaving Berchtesgaden with an empty-handed Hitler behind him. But let us recall that Chamberlain, who is very willing and quick to offer handsome concessions to the fascist dictators—as, for example, the Anglo-Italian dirty deal with Mussolini—was rebuffed by heroic Loyalist Spain.

With the help of the peace forces of the world, Czechoslovakia can wreck the Chamberlain-Hitler conspiracy against world peace.

per cent of the people were able to vote.

Yet, in spite of all this, the Georgia primary marked the beginning of a democratic front in Georgia. It saw an awakening labor moving to its rightful place as the core of the growing progressive movement—with a large section of the A. F. of L. membership flatly rejecting and denouncing William Green's endorsement of George. It saw the beginning of the young tender shoots of that progressive political action which will kick the Georges and "Cotton Ed" Smiths from power.

Wherever great headway has been made toward political realignment, that is where the forces of progress achieve their biggest victories. That is apparent in the clean sweep of the New Deal candidates in Michigan and Washington yesterday (although one needed a microscope to find the news in the Tory press).

Despite the fact that the New Dealer Gov. Frank Murphy was unopposed in the Democratic primaries, he received a record vote—almost greater than the total vote in the Republican gubernatorial primaries. Besides seven incumbent Democrats, all New Dealers, were renominated.

In Washington, seven New Deal candidates including Sen. Homer T. Bone, were victorious against Gov. Martin's Tory Republican-Democratic coalition.

Of course, because of specific conditions, the development of the democratic front forces will not be as rapid in some places as in others. But if labor and progressives in Georgia continue their onward march—particularly in breaking down the poll tax and the disfranchisement of the Negro—the people will be victorious.

The World Issue --- Defend Democracy and Peace

The following is the text of an address—"The World Issue—Defend Democracy and Peace"—by Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, that was to have been made at the Coney Island Velodrome last night. The meeting was postponed because of rain.

Friends:

News from Europe and the Far East casts a lurid illumination upon the issues of the 1938 elections in the United States. Throughout the world the dominant issue is the defense of democracy and peace against the attacks of fascism and war. That is the issue between Hitler and the Czechoslovak Republic, that is the issue in Spain, that is the issue in China. The world teeters on the precipice of a general slaughter, dragged there by the fascist warmaking governments of Germany, Italy and Japan. Within each country, the same alignment of forces is taking place, as between countries. That is essentially the new alignment within American political life. Only in this light can we fully penetrate beneath the apparent chaos of our election struggles and understand the real forces that are contending for power.

Allow me, first of all, to make some comments upon the most spectacular news of the day, the flight of Prime Minister Chamberlain to Berchtesgaden for a personal talk with Hitler. In many ways it is unprecedented. But in one important respect it follows a recent example, one which had also been the result of Mr. Chamberlain's policy. Not many months ago, the head of an independent state flew to Berchtesgaden for a personal talk with Hitler. At that time also there was much talk of a "plebiscite," of "appeasement," of "peaceful solution." Today the independent state is only a historical memory, and the man who flew to Berchtesgaden is in a fascist concentration camp. That state was Austria, and the man was Mr. Schuschnigg. Prime Minister Chamberlain, who caused his fateful journey and its result, had evidently planned the same trip for the spokesman of Czechoslovakia. When Benes and Hodza refused the role assigned to them, Mr. Chamberlain took it upon himself. It is not clear whether he intends that Great Britain will also assume the consequences for his country, or whether he merely looks upon himself as a proxy for Benes and Czechoslovakia. I may be permitted to express the opinion that neither aim will be accepted by the peoples of Czechoslovakia or of Britain. The Chamberlain policy is finally bankrupt; it is no longer possible to purchase a false and hypocritical peace by throwing the weaker nations one after another to the fascist wolves. If Chamberlain is going to Hitler to deliver to him the defenses of the Czechoslovak Republic, through the transparent hypocrisy of "plebiscite," then it only means that Chamberlain's government has decided to go down in the crash of European and world peace. That way lies certain universal world slaughter.

But who do not abandon the struggle for peace, who know that the fascist madmen can be halted in their wild course by unity of all peace-loving peoples, who are the overwhelming majority of the world's population, we demand the end to all concession to the warmakers, the unconditional support of Czechoslovak independence and democracy, the final consolidation of the peace front of the world.

The spotlight is on Central Europe at this moment. But let us not forget the Far East, where the fate of half of the world will be decided. The spokesman for the Mikado's government, in Tokio, yesterday declared its readiness to make war generally in support of Hitler's demand for unconditional surrender of world democracy. His exact words are significant. He said: "Japan is ready to fight—by arms if necessary—to defeat communism's attempt to bolshevize Europe." That is the slogan of the Triple Alliance of Fascism for the military conquest of the world—the self-styled "Anti-Communist Alliance"—to save the world from Communism.

Hitler and Mussolini invaded Spain and fight to destroy that republic to save it from Communism! Italy raped Ethiopia presumably to save that land from the communism of the Negus! Japan has occupied half of China and killed several million Chinese men, women and children—on the declared purpose to save that country from Communism! And now Hitler, with the support of Mussolini and the Mikado, threatens to destroy Czechoslovakia to save that little country and the world—from Communism! It is well known that the same judges of the world look upon the Popular Front government of France as an example of Communism! Democracy itself is denounced by them as incipient Communism which must be nipped in the bud, before it gets a chance to develop! And if France, Spain, Czechoslovakia and China are outstanding examples of the "menace of Communism," how much more so must be the administration of President Roosevelt and the New Deal in the United States! It is well-known that the fascist powers look upon our country as "Red" in almost exactly the same terms they use for the Soviet Union, the only Communist land in the world!

Now let us come back to our own country and have a look at our election struggle, in the light of world-wide issues and alignments. Hardly any political group or leader in America will admit being fascist. In fact, all are busy warning America against fascism. That is a good sign, inasmuch as it proves that America is so deeply and consciously anti-fascist, so overwhelmingly condemns the warmaking powers, that even the spokesmen of fascism in our public life do not dare show openly their real face, on pain of immediately being buried in an avalanche of public repudiation.

But can we believe that, unlike the rest of the world, fascism has no forces in America? Such a thought would be infantile, indeed! And to find these fascist forces in America, we should not spend

too much time looking at their lunatic fringe, the open Nazi Bunds, the Silver Shirts, and so on. Much more to the point is this, to ask: "Which groups, which candidates are following the Hitler strategy, are operating under the world slogan of fascism?"

The answer to this question is an infallible guide to the primary elections, and to the final balloting in November. Every candidate and group which operates under the chief slogan of "Fight against Communism" is following the Hitler strategy, is attaching himself to the world forces of the Triple Alliance of Germany, Italy and Japan, and represents the fascist threat against American democracy.

Who are these candidates and groups? You cannot recognize them by any of the old-time political flags. Some of them call themselves Democrats. Others call themselves Republicans. A few have even invaded the primaries of the American Labor Party. Some call themselves Socialists. There are even a few groups that mask themselves behind the false label of Communists—the Trotskyites and Lovestonites. They all have one common and unifying feature—they shout that the chief issue is the menace of Communism, and explain that "Communism" so broadly that it includes President Roosevelt and the New Deal.

Since the Dies Committee got to work, we Communists certainly have been moving in high society. With Communists being found under every bed, we have not only learned for the first time that our followers seem to be in the majority, but, more important, look at the "quality" of our associates.

They give us credit for the World Youth Congress, representing 40 million young people in 55 countries! They hand us the four millions of the American League for Peace and Democracy, with all the eminent men and women who sponsor and lead it! They hand us the CIO, and there is every sign they will later be ready to give us the A. F. of L. They assign to our ranks the most illustrious lady of the land, Eleanor Roosevelt! They give us the President himself! And, as the most delicious cherry to top off the dish, they present us with Shirley Temple!

Who could have imagined that the Communists had grown so tremendously, and in such high circles! There is really danger of getting the swelled head!

But when our sworn enemies hand us ten million dollars worth of free advertising there must be a catch in it somewhere. They are making Communism a subject for discussion among the whole population, and making it popular by identifying it with everything democratic and progressive. Surely, they must have deep and serious motives for such a maneuver as this. They must be playing for big stakes, to be willing to pay such a price for their chips.

The reactionary political agents for Wall Street are playing for big stakes. They are making a desperate gamble to regain power over the United States.

They know quite well that the Communist Party and its following are quite small, at the outside not more than 5 per cent of the population. They are not afraid of us. But they know equally well that 75 per cent of the population are united in support of Roosevelt and the New Deal, and that they have not the slightest chance of winning a general election if it is fought openly and honestly on the issue of New Deal policies and the public confidence in the President. Therefore, they want to vote for or against Communism, knowing the big majority don't know what it is and therefore are against it. They want to make a false issue, to split up and defeat the New Deal majority.

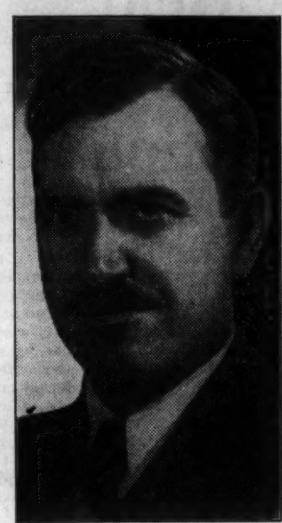
Don't think the issue can be avoided by agreeing that you, too, are against the Communist Party and its program, join the red-baiters in driving out the Communists, and think thus to close the false issue. It just can't be done that way with the reactionaries and fascists. Once the open Communists are put out of the way, then they will remind you of the even more dangerous secret Communists. And how will you know who they are? Only by establishing who proposes the same things the Communists supported. The Communists supported President Roosevelt and the progressive New Deal policies; therefore, away with them, we must have a President above suspicion, someone like Jack Garner! The Communists supported the American Labor Party; therefore, outlaw it, as William Green has already attempted in the A. F. of L. The Communists supported the Wage-Hour Bill—repeat it as insidious "boring from within!" The Communists were for the Ten Commandments—outlaw them! The Communists favored three meals per day for all workers—cut it down to two! And everybody who opposes this program, is a secret Communist, to be gotten rid of in the same way that they propose to abolish the open Communists!

That is the strategy of the reactionaries, of the allies of Hitler, of the agents of Wall Street and the economic royalists. If it works, the New Deal majority of the people is hopelessly split up and demoralized, the reactionaries ride back into power, the trade union movement is strangled, the people's organizations are suppressed—and America has taken the first steps on the sorrowful road to join the German people.

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Victory for the New Deal Party means keeping our country on the path of a progressive and democratic development. Victory for the Anti-New Deal Party means going back to Hoover and the Hoovervilles under a regime that would never give us another chance for a New Deal through Constitutional processes.

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That is why the Communist Party clearly and without hesitation declares its support of the New Deal party and policy, proposes and works for the unity of the majority of the people behind a single progressive candidate for each electoral office, subordinates itself and its own particular ideas to the necessity for this broadest unity of the majority of the people.

That is why in New York the Communist Party accepts and works for the success of the American Labor Party ticket, believing that it is the most important instrument for the unity of the majority of the people of this city and State.

No candidate or party that receives Communist support is under any special obligation to us, other than that obligation taken to the whole of their supporters. We have had no special voice in determining candidates or platforms. We have not pressed any special claims or ideas of our own within the broad democratic front. We only claim our right and duty to join with the majority of the people to achieve the common aims upon which we all agree.

The reactionaries would like to make it appear that this is a terrible conspiracy on our part, a monstrous thing which all respectable people must join in rejecting. But by this they only reveal their own rejection of the American democratic tradition and practice. And they put themselves in a very peculiar position. Do they mean to imply that they demand that the Communists should, instead, support the candidates and policies of the Anti-New Deal Party? But if our support is supposed to damn the New Dealers and Labor Party men, why wouldn't it also damn the Anti-New Dealers? Then it must be that the reactionaries are demanding that the Communist Party must put up a complete ticket of its own and refuse to unite with anyone else. If this is what they mean, let them say so frankly, and tell the public that it is they, the Anti-New Dealers, who want the Communists to come out and fight for public office, that they will take the responsibility for a Communist ticket that the Communists themselves would like to withdraw for the sake of unity of all progressive people. Of course, we must say, that whatever the reactionaries want of us, there is little likelihood that we will give them. We usually examine their wishes in order the better to defeat them.

The Communist Party is helping to unite the majority of the American people to defeat the candidates of Wall Street reaction, fascism and war. No red-baiting campaign can frighten us or move us an inch from this path. And we warn the whole camp of progress and democracy that they can make no concessions to the red-baiters without seriously compromising their own cause and endangering the victory of the majority of the people. If you give one finger to the devil of red-baiting, he will never be satisfied until he possesses your whole soul.

I have been informed that Mr. Louis Waldman, one of the candidates for a minor office on the American Labor Party, has been indulging in some special red-baiting of his own, and repudiating the support of the Communists among the great mass of followers of the Labor Party. In the special case of Mr. Waldman, and any one else of like mind, it may perhaps be necessary to provide for an exception to our general policy; if he gives us a letter demanding that we shall not support him, we shall probably have to oblige him by seeing to it that he receives no unwanted Communist votes to compromise his doubtful purity. We only hope that his agreement with the main slogan of J. J. O'Connor and Father Coughlin may not lead him into more open political alignment with these gentlemen.

So far as we are concerned, everything we do or say is guided by one major consideration: Unity of the progressive majority of the people at all costs! One single candidate to represent that unity, for each electoral office! We give this to you as the most faithful guide which can be found for the effective fight for democracy, for progress, and for peace.

Of course, we must frankly say that the candidates and policies of the broad democratic front by no means correspond to what we think is necessary even to meet and solve the most immediate problems. The New Deal Party on a national scale is still unorganized, and is only beginning to hammer out its program. We have contributed our ideas on such a program to the general public discussion, bringing all the various lines of thought developed by the New Deal and the labor movement into something like a systematic and rounded-out program based upon minimum democratic needs under the present capitalist system. We recommend it to the serious study of all.

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It should not be necessary to repeat here, that there is nothing of Communism or Socialism in the platform of the broad democratic front, of the New Deal, or of its main support. Nor do we of the Communist Party propose to insert anything Communistic or Socialistic in it. We do not propose to "push Roosevelt to the left," as one brilliant idiot informed the Dies Committee. We of the Communist Party do not ask the American people to pass judgment on our ideas of the future development of society in the elections. We warn the people that it is only the reactionaries, the anti-New Dealers, the economic royalists, who raise the issue of Communism, and they do it dishonestly, as a tricky maneuver, to break up the unity of the people who in their great majority support the course of President Roosevelt.

In the primary elections, and in the final balloting in November, the American people will be standing at an historical crossroads, choosing their course for many years to come. We will be deciding the immediate fate of our country. And the course of the United States may easily become that factor which determines the fate of the entire world.

One of the outstanding merits of President Roosevelt has been his clear vision of the inter-relationship of domestic with world affairs. When, last October in Chicago, he made his historic declaration in favor of "quarantining the warmaking powers," he was looking further and deeper into history than the majority of his own followers. He knew quite well that our country could not march forward on the democratic path successfully, if the rest of the world falls into the morass of fascism; he saw that we can not have peace, if we facilitate the surrender of the rest of the world to the warmakers. He understood the decisive role that America, holding half of the world's effective wealth, might play in turning the scales toward international order and peace or toward anarchy, destruction and war. Since last October the vast majority of the people have learned that lesson. Today it is the President's direction against the warmakers, toward international co-operation for peace, which has the largest and most enthusiastic support among the people, even more decisively than on his domestic policies.

The President is implementing this positive peace policy only in the most guarded and cautious manner. Clearly, he is much disturbed by the fears of the Machiavellian diplomacy of Mr. Chamberlain. He is not yet certain how far the American people have thought through this policy to its necessary conclusions in bold action that is needed to guarantee peace. All the more reason, then, that we here and all other meetings and groupings that support the peace policy of the President, shall discuss in more detail the concrete steps that our government could and should take to apply its policy, and to give the President the benefit of our counsel.

It is good that Roosevelt has made it clear to the world that the American people abhor warlike aggression, and throw their moral influence on the side of the victims of aggression. But we should each and everyone of us, as well as our organizations, write to the President, to Secretary Hull and to the press, urging in this critical hour that our government declare: That the United States is prepared to consult with all governments wishing to preserve orderly relations, the means required to restrain those powers which demonstrate an intention to break up these orderly relations by military aggressions; that in such consultations the United States is prepared to exert its full moral and economic influence to secure the enforcement of the general will to peace.

We should further point out that the universal aggressive operations of German fascism, which is conducting an economic war against the United States, has already brought that country under the provisions of existing legislation, which authorizes the President to cut off all trade by a general embargo, and call upon the President to register our protest against this universal aggression by immediately applying that embargo.

We should never allow it to be forgotten that Czechoslovakia and the problem of its protection, is merely part of the world situation; that China occupies a front line trench for the protection of the rest of the world; that America cannot continue complacently to supply Japan with more than half of munitions of war to murder, subjugate the Chinese people, except at most dire peril to its own future; that we must move decisively toward a complete embargo against Japan.

We must finally wipe out the shame of our assistance to the fascist powers in their invasion of Spain, by lifting the embargo on that republic and opening our markets wide to the Spanish people.

For Spain, we must at all costs win some active material help from the American people, corresponding in some measure to the almost universal sympathy that exists. Especially now, when general war mobilization threatens to cut Spain off from her life-line of foodstuffs, with the Soviet Union, we must realize that if Spain shall be fed during the coming period it can only be from America. The Spanish people have not hesitated to shed their blood without limit for the preservation of the republic, for the defense of world democracy as well as their own. They have been far too modest in their demands upon us, and far too patient under our shameful cancellation of their treaty rights with us, not to speak of our own abandonment of all international law. The people of the United States, if we seriously mean to do anything to halt the warmakers and preserve peace, must assume the task of feeding Spain.

This is no great task for the American people. In fact, one of our most embarrassing domestic problems is a surplus of farm products, in which our government is investing hundreds of millions of dollars, and for which there is no im-

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